

# **1996-1997 Student Handbook**



*East Central*  
**COMMUNITY COLLEGE**  
Decatur, Mississippi

## **ACCREDITATION**

East Central Community College is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097, Telephone Number (404) 679-4501, to award the Associate Degree.

## **NON-DISCRIMINATION**

East Central Community Colleges does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, or handicap. The College is in compliance with Title IV of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, Title IX of the 1972 Educational Amendments, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990. The Dean of Instruction and the Dean of Students have been designated as the administrators in their areas to receive and investigate complaints and carry out responsibilities in conformity with the aforesaid acts and their amendments.

## **DRUG FREE SCHOOL**

East Central Community Colleges adheres to the requirements of the Drug Free Workplace Act and the Drug Free Schools Act passed by the United States Congress and signed by the President. The possession; manufacture or distribution of controlled substances is a violation of college rules and regulations. Please refer to the appropriate policies and disciplinary procedures outlined in this handbook for more details.

## **STUDENT RIGHT-TO-KNOW AND CAMPUS SECURITY ACT**

In compliance with the Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act, Public Law 101-542, November 8, 1990, as amended 1993, East Central Community College provides statistical data on its graduates and the Campus Security Report. For further information, students may contact the Dean of Students.



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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Welcome to East Central Community College! We're glad you're here and that you have chosen to continue your education at our college.

Our slogan, ECCC - WITH YOU IN MIND, very accurately reflects our concern for the needs of the individual student. We want to provide YOU with all the assistance possible while you are enrolled here as a student and after you graduate.

East Central Community College offers many opportunities for growth and personal fulfillment in addition to those provided in the classrooms. Please involve yourself in the clubs, sports, religious organizations, and other activities that are of interest to you so that you will receive the maximum benefit from your stay here at East Central.

Remember, we're here for YOU. Do not hesitate to seek assistance when needs arise.

Again, welcome!

Thank you.

Eddie M. Smith  
President



**A MESSAGE FROM THE  
STUDENT BODY ASSOCIATION  
PRESIDENT**

On behalf of the Student Body Association, I would like to welcome you to East Central Community College, your community college. We are glad that you have chosen East Central as the place to continue your education. As we welcome you, we welcome the opportunity to assist in your personal and social development through student activities and programming designed "with you in mind."

Whether you are a returning sophomore or an entering freshman, the Student Body Association is here to assist you in any way possible. Don't hesitate to ask. We want your time here at East Central to be enjoyable and stimulating so that you will remember it for the rest of your life.

There are numerous opportunities and venues for active participation here at East Central - from special interest clubs and organizations to "Hot Wings" eating contests. We encourage you to get involved with the activities and organizations on campus so that you will benefit from all that East Central has to offer.

Again, welcome to East Central Community College and the Warrior family!

Sincerely,

Maurice Bowie  
SBA President

## **PURPOSE OF THE COLLEGE**

East Central Community College seeks to fulfill the educational needs of its students from the five-county district which it serves. In a continuing effort to meet these needs, the college, through its Board of Trustees, administration, and faculty, conceives its purpose to be to provide instruction and service. To achieve its instructional goals, the college is committed to offering opportunities for mental, physical, and emotional development. As a service agency, the college provides programs of instruction which incorporate knowledge and skills applicable to life in a complex society.

To successfully fulfill its purpose, East Central Community College provides, at minimum cost, a variety of programs which include senior college or university parallel, technical, vocational, adult, and remedial education. The College further subscribes to and provides for self-improvement, continuing education, and community services.

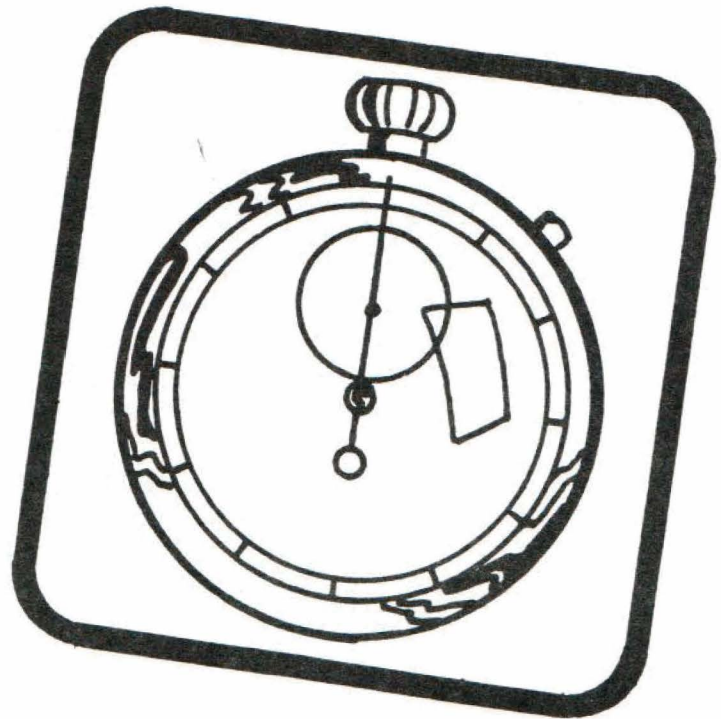
Through curricular and extracurricular activities, the College provides experiences which lead to the development of the total individual. These experiences include guidance, participation, and leadership in campus activities, student clubs, and organizations.

## **INSTITUTIONAL GOALS**

1. To provide effective instructional programs for the first two years of university-parallel curricula to prepare students for successful transfer to senior institutions.
2. To provide vocational and technical programs designed to prepare students for immediate employment.
3. To provide a developmental program of instruction to raise basic skills levels of students whose academic foundation requires strengthening.
4. To provide enriched educational experiences for academically talented students.
5. To provide guidance, counseling, and other student services to aid students in the attainment of personal, educational, and occupational goals.
6. To provide specialized industrial training programs which will develop a productive work force for new and expanding district businesses and industries.
7. To provide administrative services to support the faculty in its commitment to offer a high quality, innovative educational program for students.
8. To offer community services and continuing education programs to meet the educational and personal needs of both youth and adults and to cooperate with high schools and service agencies in providing community education programs.
9. To serve as a cultural and recreational center for the service area by offering a broad range of programs to enrich the community and to enhance creative expression in music, dance, theater arts, visual arts, sports, and recreation.



# SCHEDULES & DIRECTORIES



## 1996-97: THE YEAR AT A GLANCE FIRST SEMESTER

Aug.	2	Application for admission should be on file by this date
	8	Begin band and football practice
	12-14	Faculty meetings and workshops
	15	Dormitories open at 2:00 p.m.
	15-16	Freshman orientation & completion of registration
	19	Classes begin, late registration fee charged beginning at 8:00 a.m.
	19-22	Evening registrations at 6:30 p.m.
	26	Begin evening classes
	30	Last day to register or change classes
Sept.	2	Labor Day Holiday
	27	Last day to remove I's of previous semester
Oct.	16	Mid-term grades due in Records Office at 8:00 a.m.
Nov.	27-29	Thanksgiving Holidays
Dec.	2	Resume class schedule
	2	Last day to drop a course with a W
	6	Last day of regular classes
	9-12	Final examinations
	12	Christmas Holidays begin for students at 12:30 p.m. Dormitories close at 2:00 p.m. Final grades due in Records Office at 2:30 p.m.

## SECOND SEMESTER

Jan.	3	Completion of orientation and registration
	5	Dormitories open at 4:00 p.m.
	6	Classes begin, late registration fee charged beginning at 8:00 a.m.
	6-9	Evening registrations at 6:30 p.m.
	13	Begin evening classes
	17	Last day to register or change classes
	20	Martin Luther King Holiday
Feb.	14	Last day to remove I's of previous semester
March	5	Mid-term grades due in Records Office at 8:00 a.m.
	7	Spring Holidays begin at 3:15 p.m./ Dormitories close at 4:00 p.m.
	17	Classes resume at 8:00 a.m.
	28	Easter Holiday
April	25	Last day to drop a class with a W
May	2	Last day of regular classes
	5-8	Final examinations
	8	Final grades due in Records Office at 2:30 p.m.
	9	Spring Commencement at 8:00 p.m.



## 1997 SUMMER SESSION

### INTERSESSION

May	12	Registration and classes begin
	30	Intersession ends

### First Semester

June	6	Registration
	9	Classes begin
	11	Last day to register for first term
	27	Last day to drop a course with a W
July	3	First term ends
	4	Independence Day Holiday

### Second Semester

July	7	Registration
	8	Classes begin
	9	Last day to register for second term
	25	Last day to drop a course with a W
Aug.	1	Second term ends



# **SCHEDULE FOR ACTIVITY PERIOD TUESDAY**

**1996-97**

August	27	Students meet with their advisors
Sept.	3	Curriculum and special interest clubs
	10	OPEN
	17	OPEN
	24	PHI THETA KAPPA
October	1	Curriculum and special interest clubs
	8	OPEN
	15	OPEN
	22	OPEN
	29	PHI THETA KAPPA
Nov.	5	Curriculum and special interest clubs
	12	OPEN
	19	OPEN
	26	PHI THETA KAPPA
Dec.	3	Curriculum and special interest clubs
	10	PHI THETA KAPPA
Jan.	14	Curriculum and special interest clubs
	21	PHI THETA KAPPA
	28	Curriculum and special interest clubs
Feb.	4	Curriculum and special interest clubs
	11	OPEN
	18	PHI THETA KAPPA
	25	Curriculum and special interest clubs
March	4	Open
	11	SPRING HOLIDAYS
	18	OPEN
	25	PHI THETA KAPPA
April	1	Curriculum and special interest clubs
	8	OPEN
	15	OPEN
	22	PHI THETA KAPPA



## CAMPUS SERVICES AND RESOURCES

In addition to the teaching faculty, East Central Community College has employed several individuals whose primary responsibilities center around delivering support services to the student body. The following is a list of those campus services and resources and the persons you may contact regarding them.

Admissions .....	Raymond McMullan Director of Admissions, Records, and Research (Student Services Building)
Advising Concerns .....	Randall Lee, Academic Counselor (Student Services Building) Jimmy Dempsey, Vocational-Technical Counselor (Vocational-Technical Building) Sheila Terrell-Lyon, Vocational-Technical Counselor (Skill/Tech One-Stop Career Center)
Athletics .....	Sammy Pace, Athletic Director (Physical Education Building)
Bookstore .....	Bookstore Clerk (Bookstore)
Campus Security .....	Joe Clark, Director of Security (Student Services Building)
Career Information .....	Lanette Hanna, Recruiter/Career Center Director (Student Services Building)
Dormitory Council .....	Joe Clark, Director of Housing (Student Services Building)
Emergency Phone Center .....	Secretary (Student Services Building)
Financial Assistance .....	Brenda Carson, Director of Financial Aid (Student Services Building)
Food Service .....	Jack Shaw, Food Service Manager (Mabry Cafeteria)
Game Room .....	Mike Anderson, Director of Intramural Sports and Activity Center (Activity Center)
Housing .....	Joe Clark, Director of Housing (Student Services Building)
Information Center .....	Secretary (Student Services Building)

Insurance .....	Troy D. Brown, Sr., Dean of Students (Student Services Building)
Intramurals .....	Mike Anderson, Director of Intramural Sports and Activity Center (Activity Center)
Loans .....	Brenda Carson, Director of Financial Aid (Student Services Building)
Lost and Found .....	Secretary (Student Services Building)
Mail .....	Secretary (Student Services Building)
Medical Needs .....	Frankie Harrison, School Nurse (Student Center, Second Floor)
Part-Time Employment .....	Brenda Carson, Director of Financial Aid (Student Services Building)
Payment of Fees .....	Mickey Vance, Business Manager (Administration Building)
Personal Problems .....	Randall Lee, Academic Counselor (Student Services Building) Jimmy Dempsey, Vocational-Technical Counselor (Vocational-Technical Building) Sheila Terrell-Lyon, Vocational-Technical Counselor (Skill/Tech One-Stop Career Center)
Publicity Information .....	Bubby Johnston, Director of Public Information (Administration Building)
Registration Process .....	Raymond McMullan, Director of Admissions, Records, and Research (Student Services Building)
Residence Hall Keys .....	Joe Clark, Director of Housing (Student Services Building)
Roommate Concerns .....	Joe Clark, Director of Housing (Student Services Building)
Scholarships .....	Brenda Carson, Director of Financial Aid (Student Services Building)
Student Government .....	Troy D. Brown, Sr., Dean of Students (Student Services Building)





## CLASS PERIOD SCHEDULE

TIME	M/W/F	PERIOD
8:00 - 8:50		1
8:55 - 9:45		2
9:50 - 10:40		3
10:45 - 11:35		4
11:40 - 12:30		5
12:35 - 1:25		6
1:30 - 2:20		7
1:30 - 2:45		7+
2:25 - 3:15		8

	T/TH	
8:00 - 9:15		A
9:20 - 10:35		B
10:35 - 11:20		Activity Period
11:20 - 12:35		C
12:40 - 1:55		D
2:00 - 3:15		E



### Department Chairpersons

Associate Degree Nursing .....	Nancy Harris
Communications and Fine Arts .....	Bruce Guraedy
Math and Science .....	Dr. Shelby Harris
Social Science, Business Administration and Education .....	Dr. Richard Ethridge
Vocational-Technical .....	John Adcock

### Faculty Advisors

Art .....	Bruce Guraedy
Associate Degree Nursing .....	Nancy Harris
Athletics (Football) .....	Timmy Coats Terry Underwood
Agriculture .....	Randall Lee
Business Administration .....	Tom Carson Jamie Clark Charles Hinson Roberta Holt Wanda Moore Sammy Pace
Business Education .....	Lois McMullan
Computer Science .....	L.B. Bullock
Elementary Education .....	Bill Lovett Gloria McRae Alice Pouncey
Engineering .....	Dr. Shelby Harris
Forestry .....	Randall Lee
Liberal Arts .....	Leonard Barrier Linda Baucum Judy Carroll Tom Carson Jamie Clark Marty Cooper Dr. Richard Ethridge Lanette Hanna Sammy Pace



Virginia Pace  
Melinda Smith  
Tommy Thrash  
Juanita West

Medical Technology .....	Ron Davis Pattie Davis
Music (Instrumental) .....	Tom Carson
Music (Vocal) .....	Charles Hinson
Physical Education .....	Lucille Wood
Physical Therapy .....	Ron Davis Pattie Davis
Poultry Science .....	Randall Lee
Pre-Dentistry .....	Dr. Richard Fisher
Pre-Medicine .....	Dr. Richard Fisher
Pre-Nursing .....	L.B. Bullock Joe Clark Al Deaton Dr. Thomas Key Randall Lee
Pre-Pharmacy .....	Al Deaton
Pre-Veterinary Medicine .....	Dr. Richard Fisher
Secondary Education .....	Lois McMullan Gloria McRae
Sports Medicine .....	Randall Lee

## 1996 ECCC FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

September 5	Thursday	Holmes	at Goodman	7:00
September 12	Thursday	Northeast	at Decatur	6:30
September 19	Thursday	Northwest	at Senatobia	7:00
September 26	Thursday	Itawamba	at Decatur	6:30
October 5	Saturday	Pearl River	at Poplarville	2:30
October 12*	Saturday	Hinds	at Decatur	2:30
October 19	Saturday	Gulf Coast	at Perkinston	3:00
October 24	Thursday	Jones	at Decatur	6:30
October 31	Thursday	Co-Lin	at Wesson	7:00
November 2	Thursday	Southwest	at Decatur	6:30

\*HOMECOMING

COACHES: Willie Coats, Head Football Coach  
Timmy Coats, Assistant  
Terry Underwood, Assistant

## 1996-97 BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

November 4-5	Jones Tournament	
November 11	East Mississippi	Away
November 18	East Mississippi	Home
November 21	Mississippi Delta	Away
December 3	Pearl River	Home
December 5	Southwest	Away
December 13-14	Bishop State, Ala.	Tournament
January 3	Mississippi Delta	ECCC Tournament
January 4	Bishop State, Ala.	ECCC Tournament
January 7	MS Gulf Coast	Away
January 9	Holmes	Away
January 11	Southern U., La.	Away
January 13	Hinds	Home
January 16	Jones	Home
January 21	Co-Lin	Away
January 23	Pearl River	Away
January 27	Southwest	Home
January 30	MS Gulf Coast	Home
February 3	Holmes	Home
February 4	Southern U., La.	Home
February 6	Hinds	Away
February 10	Jones	Away
February 13	Co-Lin	Home
February 17-20	Co-Lin South State Tournament	
February 24-25	State Tournament at South Boys Champ	
March 3-6	Region 23 Tournament at Mississippi College	

COACHES: Sammy Pace, Head Women's Basketball Coach  
Marty Cooper, Head Men's Basketball Coach  
Jennifer Cooper, Assistant Men's Basketball Coach

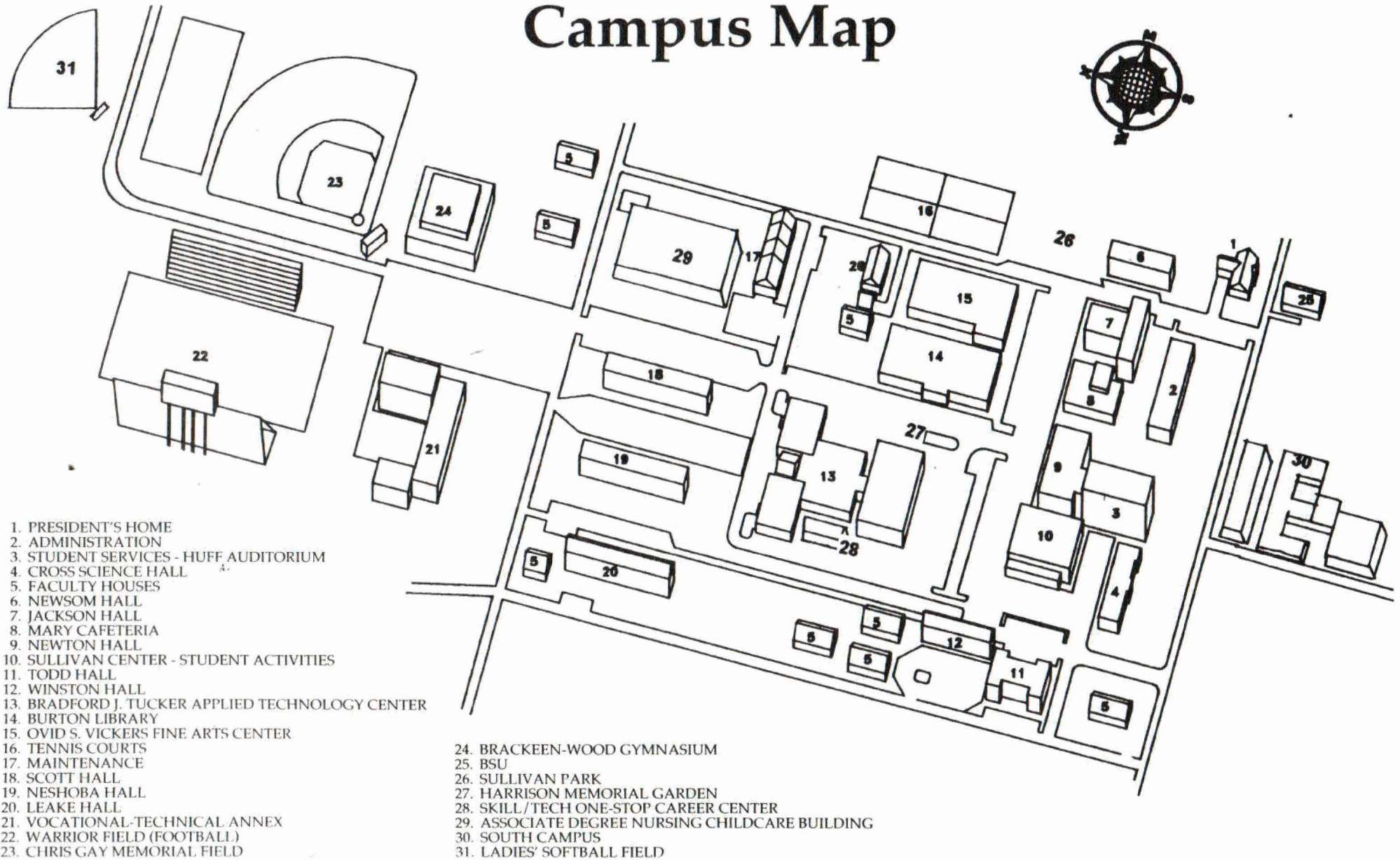


## TELEPHONE NUMBERS

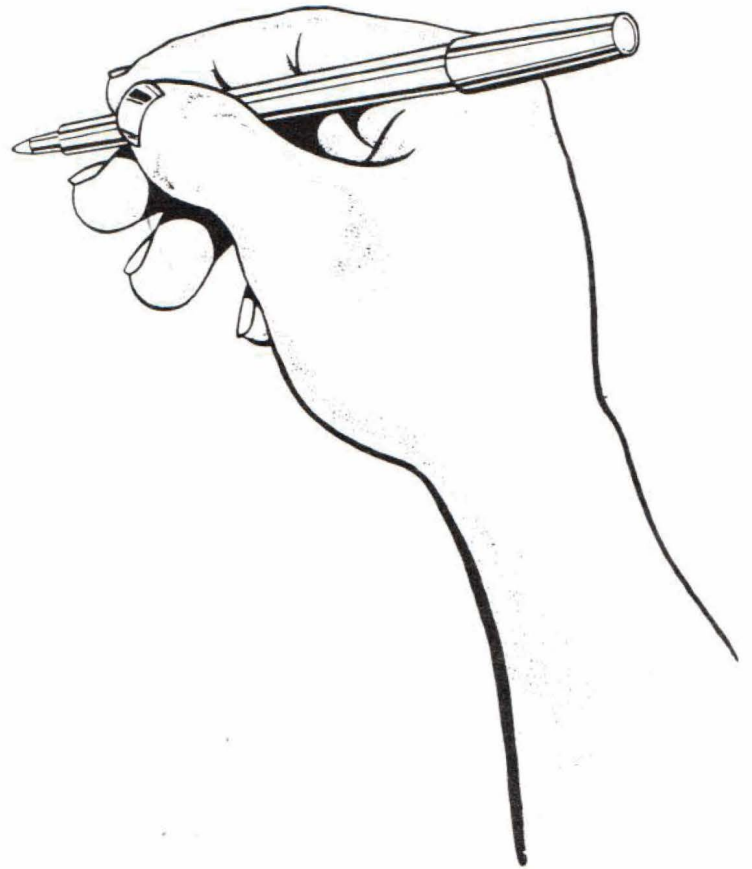
East Central Community College	635-2111
Fire Department	635-2000
Sheriff's Department	635-2101
Night Watchman	635-2121
Maintenance	635-3246
Jackson Hall Supervisor	635-3237
Newsome Hall Supervisor	635-2126
Men's Dormitory Supervisor	635-2543
Jackson Hall Pay Phone	635-9803
	635-9890
Newsome Hall Pay Phone	635-9807
	635-9806
Neshoba Hall Pay Phone	635-9196
Todd Hall Pay Phone	635-9896
Scott Hall Pay Phone	635-9874
Winston Hall Pay Phone	635-9212
Student Grill	635-3873



# Campus Map



# FINANCIAL INFORMATION



## EXPENSES FOR THE 1996-97 REGULAR SESSION

FIRST SEMESTER	Dormitory Student	Day Student
Matriculation Fee	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Room Fee	\$ 380.00	
Board (5 day meal plan)	\$ 540.00	
Total First Semester		
\$1420.00	\$1420.00	\$ 500.00
SECOND SEMESTER		
Matriculation Fee	500.00	\$ 500.00
Room Fee	380.00	
Board (5 day meal plan)	540.00	
Total Second Semester	\$1420.00	\$ 500.00
Total for Year	\$2840.00	\$1000.00

Cable TV and telephone are now available for students who choose to pay the fee to receive these services. Contact should be made directly to Cablevision and/or the Decatur Telephone Company.

Each dormitory student is required to purchase a meal plan. Students who prefer the Deferred Payment Plan may pay their board in the following way:

### FIRST SEMESTER

1. \$180.00 - upon entrance
2. \$180.00 - September 23, 1996
3. \$180.00 - November 4, 1996

### SECOND SEMESTER

1. \$180.00 - upon entrance
2. \$180.00 - February 17, 1997
3. \$180.00 - April 7, 1997

Fees are an additional \$600.00 per semester for out-of-state students

The 1997-98 academic fee dates will be released in an addendum. Cosmetology students see "1" under General Information.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

1. There is no special charge for music, or business courses for full-time students. There is a \$15.00 fee for laboratory science courses and a \$24.00 fee for AND courses.
2. Fees are an additional \$600.00 per semester for out of-state students.



3. If the deferred payment plan is used and these payments are not met, there will be an additional charge of \$5.00 added to the account.
4. All fees are payable in advance on the date due as indicated in the "Board Calendar."
5. All students who fail to clear their accounts with the college seven (7) school days prior to the starting date for examinations each semester will be dropped from school. A written notice will be mailed to the student when this action is taken.
6. For registration on dates other than those listed on the college calendar, there will be an additional charge of \$15.00 added to the account.
7. All students who expect to register for fall semester as scheduled should complete admission requirements by August 1. Students who have not registered as scheduled in the bulletin will be assessed a late registration fee.
8. Part-time students are students taking less than twelve semester hours and will pay fees at the rate of \$50.00 per semester hour at the time they register.
9. Adults who are 65 years of age or older may attend East Central Community College with matriculation fees waived.
10. East Central Community College reserves the right to change any charges published if it should become necessary.
11. Cost for the 12 months Cosmetology Program is \$1730.00 which includes books and cosmetology kit. A first time student has a first time charge of \$230.00 for special supplies. Students applying for cosmetology must make an advanced partial tuition payment of \$50.00 in order to get on the admission list.  
(Non-refundable). Charges may be made the following way:
 

Fall Semester .....	\$500.00
Spring Semester .....	\$500.00
Summer Semester .....	\$500.00
Room and Board are same as listed on opposite page.	
12. Cost for the twelve-month Licensed Practical Nursing (LPN) Program is \$1,500.00.  
Charges may be made in the following manner:
 

Fall Semester .....	\$500.00
Spring Semester .....	\$500.00
Summer Semester .....	\$500.00
Room and Board are same as listed on opposite page.	

### **FIRST COURSE FREE**

East Central Community College has a policy to encourage adults who have not attended college previously to try college free. Any adult in the five-county district who has not previously enrolled in college and who otherwise meets entrance requirements may take the first college credit course free at any location in the district.

For purposes of this policy, an adult is anyone over 21 years of age who has graduated from high school or who has passed the GED Test and has been out of high school for more than one year.

The \$50.00 per semester hour will be waived for the first course only.

Those interested should contact the Admissions, Records and Research Office at East Central Community College or attend registration as announced at the location where they plan to enroll.

### **REFUND POLICY**

Refunds for full-time students are made only when a student has officially withdrawn or officially dropped to part-time status, and are based on the following schedule:

During Registration	100% of amount paid
First Calendar Week	75% of amount paid
Second Calendar Week	50% of amount paid
Third Calendar Week	25% of amount paid
After Third Calendar Week	No Refund

Part-time students will not be granted tuition refunds after the first class meeting.

Students who drop from full-time status to part-time status will be reassessed fees at the part-time rate through the eighth week of each semester and will be required to withdraw from the residence hall.

Meal plan refunds are pro-rated on the number of full weeks remaining for which a board payment has been made. There will be no refund of dormitory room rent.

The refund policy of East Central Community College for Veterans, Veterans' widows or War Orphans enrolled under Chapter 34 or 35 is on a pro-rata basis for the number of weeks remaining in the semester. The proper withdrawal procedure must be followed and the refund must be requested.

### **SUMMER SCHOOL EXPENSES**

Expenses for the summer are different from those during the regular session. They are announced in a special bulletin, a copy of which may be obtained on request from the Director of Admissions, Records, and Research of the college.

### **STUDENT ACCOUNTS**

Payment of student's expenses may be made by cash, check or money order. Checks should be made out to EAST CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE. The college will keep money or other valuables in its vault on request. There will be a charge of \$25.00 for all checks returned as NSF or Stop Payment.



## **STUDENT FINANCIAL AID**

The following information is a summary of financial aid programs and policies at East Central Community College. For further information and application forms, contact:

Financial Aid Office  
East Central Community College  
P. O. Box 129  
Decatur, Mississippi 39327  
Telephone: (601) 635-2111, Ext. 218

### **FINANCIAL AID PROGRAMS**

**FEDERAL PELL GRANT** -- This Federal Program is designed to provide financial assistance to students on the basis of need. Any eligible student may receive a Pell Grant. A Pell Grant is not a loan; therefore, it does not have to be paid back.

**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TUITION GRANTS** - The State of Mississippi established the following grant programs in 1995 for eligible Mississippi residents: the Mississippi Resident Tuition Assistance Grant (MTAG) and the Mississippi Eminent Scholars Grant (MESG). Applications must be submitted by the deadline established by the State of Mississippi. Students must meet the eligibility requirements as established by the State of Mississippi in order to be eligible.

**STATE STUDENT INCENTIVE GRANT (SSIG)** -- The State of Mississippi through a matching grant program with the Federal Government provides grants to eligible Mississippi residents. Very limited funds are available to students with substantial financial need.

**FEDERAL SUPPLEMENTAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY GRANT (FSEOG)** -- This Federal Program is designed to assist students who would be unable to obtain an education without the grant and is available to a limited number of students of exceptional financial need. Because it is a grant, it does not have to be paid back.

**WORK-STUDY** -- East Central Community College participates in two types of work-study -- Federal Work-Study and Institutional Work-Study. Students are awarded jobs based on need and academic ability. This program gives students a chance to earn money to help pay their educational expenses.

**FEDERAL STAFFORD LOAN** -- A Federal Stafford Loan is a low-interest loan made to the student by a lender such as a bank, credit union, or savings and loan association to help with educational expenses. Two types of Federal Stafford Loans are available: Subsidized Federal Stafford Loans And Unsubsidized Federal Stafford Loans for middle income borrowers.

**PLUS** -- The PLUS Loan Program is not based on need. PLUS loans are for the parents of dependent students. These loans provide additional funds for educational expenses. Like Stafford Loans, PLUS loans are made by a lender.

**INSTITUTIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS** - East Central Community College offers various scholarships to eligible students.

**ACHIEVEMENT RECOGNITION SCHOLARSHIPS** -- Achievement Recognition Scholarships will be awarded to individuals who receive the following honors: Choctaw Indian Princess, in-district



Junior Miss winners, Miss Neshoba County, Miss Morton, and in-district Star Students. Full tuition scholarships will be awarded to those eligible who enroll as full-time students at East Central Community College the fall semester following high school graduation. The scholarships will be available to the students for four (4) consecutive semesters provided each student maintains a 2.5 G.P.A. for the first semester and a cumulative 3.0 G.P.A. for the second and third semesters. Any student who does not maintain the required G.P.A. and is removed from scholarship, may have the scholarship reinstated by earning the required G.P.A. the following semester.

**ACT SCHOLARSHIPS** - The ACT Scholarships listed below will be available to any Mississippi resident who enrolls full-time at East Central Community College the fall semester following high school graduation. The ACT Scholarship will be available to the student for four (4) consecutive semesters. See Section II: Financial Aid Policies for further requirements.

**ACT Composite (20-23)** - A scholarship in the amount of \$100 will be awarded each semester to the eligible student.

**ACT Composite (24-26)** - A scholarship in the amount of \$300 will be awarded each semester to the eligible student.

**ACT Composite (27-30)** - A scholarship in the amount of \$500 will be awarded each semester to the eligible student.

**ACT Composite (31-36)** - A full scholarship (matriculation fee, room and board) will be awarded each semester to the eligible student.

**ART SCHOLARSHIP** - The Art Department awards tuition scholarships to two students provided they meet the criteria established by the department.

To be eligible, a student must:

1. declare art as their major
2. submit a minimum of ten quality works of art in various media such as: pencil, pen And ink, pastel, oil, acrylic or water color, and
3. enroll as a full-time student at East Central

To remain eligible, a recipient must:

1. maintain a 2.0 grade point average with a 3.0 in art, and
2. design various images for the college.

**ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIPS** - Baseball, basketball, football, tennis, and women's softball scholarships are awarded by the respective coaches. The athlete must meet the eligibility requirements of East Central Community College, the Mississippi Community And Junior College Association, and the National Junior College Athletic Association. The scholarships are awarded each semester in multiples of 1/10 up to a full for baseball, basketball, and football. Tennis and women's softball scholarships are awarded each semester in multiples of 1/10 up to the amount of the matriculation (tuition) fee.

**BAND SCHOLARSHIPS** - The Band Scholarships are awarded by the band director to full-time students. The scholarships are awarded by audition for marching band, concert band, jazz band, orchestra, and Collegians. Scholarship amounts vary depending upon participation in the various groups.

**CHEERLEADER SCHOLARSHIPS** - Cheerleader Scholarships are awarded to eleven students (ten cheerleaders and one mascot) who are selected by a committee. The scholarships are awarded in the following amount each semester: matriculation fee.



**MATHEMATICS CONTEST SCHOLARSHIP** - The Mathematics Department sponsors a Mathematics Contest and Seminar in the spring each year for high school juniors and seniors in the East Central District. The winner of the mathematics contest receives a three hundred dollar (\$300) tuition scholarship when entering East Central in the fall semester.

**MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS** - Music scholarships are awarded in the following areas:

**Music Major (voice and piano):** The Music Department awards tuition scholarships to two students in voice and two students in piano each year provided that they meet the criteria established by the department.

Recipients must:

1. declare music as their major
2. audition before the music faculty
3. enroll as full-time students
4. maintain a 2.0 grade point average overall with a 3.0 in music, and
5. perform as members of the Concert Choir.

**Ac'cents:** The Choral Department awards scholarships to students who are selected, through audition, to sing with the Ac'cents, a small vocal ensemble. The amount of each scholarship is \$450 per semester.

**Concert Choir:** Scholarships are awarded by the choral director to full-time students who are members of the Concert Choir. Partial-tuition scholarships are awarded by the choir director to selected students.

**NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENT TUITION SCHOLARSHIP FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS** - The non-traditional student tuition scholarship will be available to any qualified Mississippi resident 23 years of age or older, at the time of initial enrollment, who enrolls full-time at East Central Community College in Decatur. The scholarship will be available to the student for three (3) consecutive semesters following the first twelve semester hours earned as either a part-time or full-time student at East Central. To be eligible, a recipient:

1. Must enroll as a full-time academic or technical student on the Decatur campus;
2. Must have earned all previous college credit as a student at East Central;
3. Must have earned a minimum of 12 semester hours but no more than 21 semester hours of college credit as either a full-time or part-time student at East Central Community College;
4. Must have demonstrated the capacity and a strong desire to obtain a college education by maintaining a 3.0 GPA or higher for each previous semester at East Central;
5. Must complete a scholarship application form and submit it to the Dean of Students' Office; and
6. Must show potential for leadership, academic excellence, and have high moral standards and good character as documented by two letters of recommendation.

The recipients will be selected by the College Scholarship Committee from students who meet the criteria listed above. Proceeds from the scholarship will be credited to the recipients' account in the Business Office and may be used to pay for tuition only. Any student awarded the non-traditional student scholarship must maintain a B (3.0) average each semester and must remain enrolled as a full-time student to retain the scholarship. (See the College Catalog, Section II: Financial Aid Policies for further requirements.)



**SALUTATORIAN SCHOLARSHIPS** - A scholarship in the amount of \$200 will be awarded to the salutatorian of each high school in the five-county district who enrolls full time at East Central Community College the fall semester following high school graduation. In the case of a tie, each student will be awarded the scholarship. The scholarship will be available to the student(s) for two (2) consecutive semesters. See Section II; Financial Aid Policies for further requirements.

**VALEDICTORIAN SCHOLARSHIPS** - A scholarship in the amount of \$300 will be awarded to the valedictorian of each high school in the five-county district who enrolls full time at East Central Community College in the fall semester following high school graduation. In the case of a tie, each student will be awarded the scholarship. The scholarship will be available to the student(s) for two (2) consecutive semesters. See Section II; Financial Aid Policies for further requirements.

**VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL SCHOLARSHIPS** - These scholarships are available in the skill areas which are part of programs offered at East Central. The vocational/technical counselor will make the awards to the winners.

To receive an FBLA, VICA, or Outstanding Student Scholarship, the student must enroll full-time at East Central Community College the fall semester following high school graduation.

To receive an FBLA, VICA, or Outstanding Student Scholarship, the student must enroll in the program area for which the scholarship was awarded.

To retain the FBLA, VICA or Outstanding Student Scholarship, a student must maintain a B (3.0) average each semester. Any student who does not maintain a B (3.0) average is removed from the scholarship. The scholarship will be reinstated if the student earns a B (3.0) average the following semester.

1. A scholarship of \$100.00 per semester for four semesters will be awarded to the Outstanding senior student from each Cluster Area of the six vocational Centers in the East Central Community College District. The recipient will be selected by the Director and teachers at each center in consultation with East Central's Vo-Tech Counselors and Instructors.
2. A scholarship of \$100.00 per semester for four semesters will be awarded to the first place winners in the skill contests from the District VICA competition.
3. A scholarship of \$100.00 per semester for four semesters will be awarded to the first place winners in the skill contests from the District FBLA competition.
4. A scholarship of \$300.00 per semester for four semesters will be awarded to the first place winners in the skill contests from the state high school VICA competition.
5. A scholarship of \$300.00 per semester for four semester will be awarded to the first place winners in the skill contests from the state high school FBLA competition.
6. A full scholarship (matriculation fee, room and board) for four semesters will be awarded to the first place winners in the skill contests from the national high school VICA competition.
7. A full scholarship (matriculation fee, room and board) for four semesters will be awarded to the first place winners in the skill contests from the national high school FBLA competition.

**YOUTH CHALLENGE GED SCHOLARSHIPS** - The Youth Challenge GED Scholarships were established at East Central Community College effective the fall semester of 1995. Eligible students will receive scholarships equal to one-half the amount of tuition per semester. These scholarships will be available to any Mississippi residents who graduate from the Youth Challenge



Program conducted by the Mississippi National Guard at Camp Shelby, Mississippi. The Youth Challenge Program is designed to assist teenage high school dropouts. The program involves six months of intensive physical and mental training designed to instill discipline and to prepare the students to take the GED test. Program sessions are conducted twice a year from January until June and from July until December. The scholarships will be available for eligible students for four consecutive semesters provided each eligible student maintains a 2.5 grade point average each semester he/she is enrolled at East Central. Specific requirements for the scholarship include a

passing score on the GED test, successful completion of the Youth Challenge Program, and a favorable recommendation by the director of the Youth Challenge Program.

#### ENDOWED AND OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS

**CLAYTON BLOUNT SCHOLARSHIP** - This scholarship was established in 1995 in honor and appreciation of Coach Clayton Blount by his former students. During his employment at East Central Junior College from the years 1953 through 1970, Coach Blount served in various capacities including physical education teacher, head basketball coach, assistant football coach, head football coach, dean of men, and athletic director. Coach Blount expected much of the students and athletes with whom he worked. He was a father figure and an exceptional disciplinarian. He expected the students and athletes to conduct themselves in a very decent manner at all times and to bring honor to the college that they represented. The rapport he had with his students allowed him to be very demanding of them while still keeping their respect and admiration. Because of his high expectations and discipline, many of the students with whom Clayton Blount was associated are now successful and respected citizens.

The following policies and requirements relate to the administration of this scholarship.

1. All funds contributed will be placed in endowment with only the interest expended each year for the scholarship awards.
2. A recipient will be selected annually by the East Central Community College Scholarship Committee from the pool of applicants.
3. Each recipient must:
  - a. be a graduate of a high school from the five-county area supporting East Central Community College.
  - b. have a high school grade point average of 3.0 or above.
  - c. participate as an athlete in one of the major athletic programs at East Central which includes baseball, basketball, football, softball, and tennis.
  - d. appear on East Central Community College's Certification list as a certified athlete for the given year.
  - e. not have been involved in any activity which would bring discredit to the College.
4. The scholarship will be available to the recipient beginning the fall semester following high school graduation. The recipient will receive the scholarship for the first year of attendance at East Central. One-half of the scholarship will be awarded the following spring semester. To retain the scholarship for the spring semester the student, must earn a 2.5 grade point average on the 4.0 scale during the fall semester.

**R. W. BOUNDS SCHOLARSHIP** - The R. W. Bounds Scholarship was established in 1986 by Mr. Sam Bounds, son of the person for whom the scholarship was named and member of the East Central Community College Board of Trustees. The elder Mr. Bounds was the founder of B and W Feed Service in Lawrence, Mississippi. This scholarship is awarded to a graduate of Newton High



School in the amount of \$100 a year for attendance at East Central Community College. The recipient will be named by the principal and vocational agriculture instructor at Newton High School. The recipient must have excelled as a student in vocational agriculture and must have displayed Outstanding interest and involvement in the field of agriculture. An additional factor in the selection process shall be the need of the recipient for financial assistance to attend East Central Community College. The scholarship will be awarded to the recipient at the annual Newton High School Awards Day Program.

**THE PAUL V. AND VONCILE H. BREAZEALE MINISTERIAL SCHOLARSHIP** - Mr. and Mrs. Paul Breazeale, both alumni of East Central Community College, established the Paul V. and Voncile H. Breazeale Trust Fund in 1995. The proceeds from this trust fund provide a scholarship to an incoming, full-time, freshman student who demonstrates financial need and who is enrolled in a curriculum which will prepare the student for a ministry in full-time Christian service. Preference will be given to Baptist students. The East Central Community College Scholarship Committee will make the annual selection from the applicants who have completed the application process and met the general eligibility requirements. To be eligible for the scholarship the student must:

- (1) be a high school graduate as verified by a high school transcript
- (2) be a first-time, entering freshman in the fall semester
- (3) demonstrate financial need on a current federal student financial aid form
- (4) provide letters of recommendation from his/her high school principal, local pastor, and a personal acquaintance.

To retain the scholarship for the four semesters of eligibility, the student must maintain a 2.5 cumulative GPA as a student at East Central Community College and exhibit those characteristics which are expected of one who intends to follow a career in full-time Christian service. Students who wish to apply for the scholarship should contact the financial aid office at East Central Community College for a scholarship application.

**THE CARTHAGE BANK SCHOLARSHIP** - This scholarship was established in 1992 by The Carthage Bank. The scholarship will be available annually to a selected recipient whose legal residence is in Leake County. This full tuition scholarship will be available for the fall and spring semesters of each recipient's freshman year.

To be eligible, a recipient must:

- (1) enroll as a full-time student at East Central Community College the fall semester following high school graduation
- (2) must be a legal resident of Leake County
- (3) have demonstrated leadership ability in his/her high school
- (4) have scored a composite of 20 or above on the ACT.

Recipients will be selected by the College Scholarship Committee from students who apply and meet the criteria listed above.

**THE CITIZENS BANK OF PHILADELPHIA SCHOLARSHIP** - This scholarship was established in 1992 by The Citizens Bank of Philadelphia. The scholarship will be available to a selected recipient

from one of the four East Central Community College District counties served by this bank. These counties include Leake, Neshoba, Newton, and Scott. This full tuition scholarship will be available for the fall and spring semesters of each recipient's freshman year.

To be eligible, a recipient must:

- (1) enroll as a full-time student at East Central Community College the fall semester following high school graduation
- (2) reside in an area served by The Citizens Bank of Philadelphia in the East Community College District
- (3) have demonstrated leadership ability in his/her high school
- (4) have scored a composite of 20 or above on the ACT.

Recipients will be selected by the College Scholarship Committee from students who apply and meet the criteria listed above.

**W. R. COVINGTON SCHOLARSHIP** - This scholarship was established in 1985 by Dr. Eddie M. Smith, President of East Central Community College, in recognition of the support and assistance Mr. W. R. Covington of Noxapater, MS. has provided for many students to aid them in attending college and personally for his encouragement and financial support of Dr. Smith when he was a student at East Central Junior College. This scholarship is awarded to a graduate of Noxapater High School in the amount of \$150 for one year for attendance at East Central. One-half of the scholarship will be awarded each semester.

**THE NELLIE NEILL CROSS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** - This scholarship was established in memory of the late Nellie Neill Cross by her former students and friends. Mrs. Cross served East Central as a member of the faculty, as manager of the Sullivan Student Center and as a loyal supporter of the College for more than fifty years. The scholarship will be annually awarded to an entering freshman who plans to major in music with an emphasis in voice.

**FRED PRESTON DALLAS AND MAUDIE THREAST DALLAS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** - This scholarship was established in 1991 to assist deserving graduates of Neshoba Central High School who reside in the southeast quarter of Neshoba County (indicated on an available map) to attend East Central Community College. It was established and funded by the children of Mr. and Mrs. Dallas in their memory and in honor of their interest in education. Seven of Mr. and Mrs. Dallas' eight children attended East Central Junior College.

In the event that an eligible student is not selected from the designated area during a period of five years, then any eligible student living in Neshoba or Newton Counties may be considered. In the event an eligible student is not selected during the following five-year period from these two counties, then any eligible student may be considered from the entire community college district.

Requirements:

1. Available for four consecutive semesters to qualified entering freshmen whose family contributions are from fifty (50) percent to one hundred fifty (150) percent of each student's financial aid budget.
2. The person selected must have high moral standards, good character, and must not be a substance abuser.



3. The recipient must have demonstrated the capacity and a strong desire to obtain a college education.
4. The award will be for students pursuing an academic (university transfer) education only.
5. The scholarship is to be awarded on Awards Day at the appropriate high school.
6. The recipient must show potential for leadership and academic excellence.
7. It is intended that each recipient receive the award for each of four semesters if they make a 3.5 GPA each semester, continue to have a financial need, and have a clear disciplinary record.
8. Funds from this scholarship are to be applied to the educational expenses of the recipients.
9. The recipients are selected by the College Scholarship on academic success and potential, and the contribution to the student education organization.

**OPAL MCMULLAN DICKERSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** - This scholarship was established by the Marion McMullan family in memory of their daughter, Opal. It is awarded to a sophomore, who is majoring in elementary education. Selection is made by the student education association advisor and is based on academic success and potential, and the contribution to the student education organization.

**THE LEON EUBANKS KALJYC-PEERS LEADERSHIP AWARD** - This scholarship was established in 1994 by Mr. Leon Eubanks who was a faculty member at East Central Junior College from 1934 to December 1943. While an instructor at East Central, Mr. Eubanks was the faculty sponsor of a campus leadership organization called the KALJYC-PEERS. To honor the leadership philosophy of that organization, Mr. Eubanks stipulated that the interest earned from the invested scholarship corpus be used to fund an annual scholarship to be awarded to the President of the East Central Community College Student Body Association at the annual Awards Day program. The award funds will be disbursed in two equal payments during the year the student serves as the Student Body Association President.

**OBE S. FARISH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** - This scholarship was established in 1986 by the family of Obe S. Farish to honor his memory and to assist a worthy student from Noxapater High School who will attend East Central Community College. Mr. Farish was a patron of Noxapater High School for nearly thirty years, having at least one child in school there continuously from 1939 until 1966. Of the five children, three attended East Central Junior College. The scholarship, in the amount of \$300, will be awarded annually at the Noxapater High School Awards Day Program with the money being deposited in the Business Office at East Central Community College, \$150 per semester.

**FARM BUREAU/EAST CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM** - This scholarship was established in 1995 by Farm Bureau. The student selected for this scholarship will receive \$300 per semester to be applied toward tuition, fees, textbooks, or supplies. The student must maintain full-time status, a 2.0 or better grade point average, and be free of disciplinary action to be re-awarded for the next semester. A student can retain the scholarship for a total of two years (four semesters) for a maximum award of \$1200. These scholarships will not be available during summer semesters. The applicant selected for the Farm Bureau/East Central Community College Scholarship Program will be chosen by the East Central Community College District Scholarship Committee. Information concerning the criteria used to determine the recipient is available in the Dean of Students office.

**ROBERT G. FICK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** - This scholarship was established by the family of Robert G. Fick who was a devoted music instructor at East Central Community College from 1951-1978. After his retirement, he continued to work in civic and community activities until his



death on July 26, 1990. In addition to receiving a cash award of \$100, each year's recipient will have his/her name inscribed on a loving cup which was purchased by the family. This loving cup will remain on permanent display in the college's trophy case. The criteria for the scholarship include sophomore standing with no less than 46 cumulative hours earned and a GPA of no less than 2.00. In addition, the recipient must have shown a dedication to the betterment of the music department through untiring work. Financial need and field of study are not criteria for selection. The Dean of Students working with the scholarship committee will be responsible for selecting the recipients of the scholarship and the East Central Band Director will make the annual presentations.

**R. O. AND BERTHA HANNAH SCHOLARSHIP** - This scholarship was established in 1991 by the sons of R. O. and Bertha Hannah to honor their parents for the motivation, assistance, and encouragement they provided their children. Mr. and Mrs. Hannah encouraged their sons to acquire the education each would need to help assure a successful future. All four of the Hannahs' sons attended East Central Junior College. This scholarship will be awarded annually to an entering freshman from Scott County. Eligible recipients of this scholarship must have the demonstrated potential for successful college study and must be able to demonstrate the need for financial assistance. The Dean of Students working with the Scholarship Committee will select the recipients annually.

**LA-Z-BOY SCHOLARSHIP** - This scholarship was established in 1995 by La-Z-Boy South located in Newton, Mississippi. The purpose of this scholarship is to provide financial assistance to qualified students who choose to enroll at East Central Community College. The scholarship will be awarded annually to a minimum of two students. Recipients must be legal Mississippi residents who enroll as full-time students on the Decatur Campus, must be in-district students with preference given to Newton County residents, and must have a cumulative 3.0 G.P.A. on college credit course work or a "B" average on all high school course work.

**FRANK EDWIN AND NENA HOLT LEATHERWOOD SCHOLARSHIP** - This scholarship was funded by the family and friends of the Leatherwoods in loving memory and honor of these two educators who ignited the spark of learning and encouraged the hopes and dreams of countless students. Mr. Leatherwood was a longtime member of the biology department faculty at East Central Junior College, and Mrs. Leatherwood served for many years as an elementary school teacher in Decatur. The scholarship is awarded each year to a freshman, selected by the science faculty, who will return for the next fall semester. The presentation of the award is made at Awards Day each spring.

**THE HERMAN AND MOSOURA RIGBY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** - This scholarship was established in 1993 by Dr. M. G. Rigby who attended East Central Junior College in 1965 and 1966. Dr. Rigby came to East Central as an out-of-state student to major in education. He went on to complete his BA degree at the University of Southern Mississippi, and his MA and EdD degrees at the University of Mississippi. His parents were of great inspiration to him as he pursued his educational goals. It was in the memory of Dr. Rigby's parents that this scholarship was established. This two-semester scholarship will be awarded annually to an out-of-state entering freshman who demonstrates both the need for financial assistance and an aptitude for success as a student. The amount of each scholarship award will equal fifty-percent of the annual interest earned on the invested scholarship corpus. The remaining fifty percent of the annual interest earned will be added to the corpus. The annual recipients of this scholarship will be selected by the Scholarship Committee from the pool of qualified applicants.

**UNION PLANTERS SCHOLARSHIP** - This scholarship was established in 1992. Union Planters



operates branch offices in Decatur, Union, Philadelphia, Louisville, Forest, and Newton. The scholarship will be available to a selected recipient from one of the four counties served by Union Planters in the East Central Community College District. The value of this fall semester tuition scholarship is equal to the current published matriculation fee for one semester. To be eligible, a recipient must:

- (1) enroll as a full-time student at East Central Community College the fall semester following high school graduation
- (2) reside in the East Central Community College District
- (3) have demonstrated leadership ability in his/her high school
- (4) have scored a composite of 20 or above on the ACT.

Recipients will be selected by the College Scholarship Committee from students who apply and meet the criteria listed above.

**KINOTH AND ELLA MAE THORNTON AND EMERSON ELECTRIC SCHOLARSHIP** - The Kinoth and Ella Mae Thornton and Emerson Electric Company Scholarship was established by Mr. and Mrs. Thornton and Emerson Electric Company in 1991 as a tribute to the college for its many positive contributions to the Thorntons' lives. The contributions by the Thorntons and Emerson Electric Company totaled \$10,000.00 which was used to establish the endowment for the scholarship. Interest and dividends and, if required, the sale of shares of stock from the investment will be used to fund scholarships in the amount of \$1,000.00 each to be awarded to cover four semesters of study. Thus, scholarship awards will be made on alternate years unless the full amount of an awarded scholarship is not utilized. The investment endowment shall never fall below \$10,000. To be eligible for this scholarship, the recipients must:

- (1) Reside in one of the five counties served by East Central Community College. Preference shall be given to applicants from Newton and Neshoba Counties.
- (2) Have family contributions or financial aid needs analysis forms that are from fifty (50) percent to one hundred (100) percent of the students' financial aid budgets.
- (3) Have the demonstrated ability to profit from higher education by having achieved acceptable grades in high school and by having participated in community projects or work experience.
- (4) Have high moral and ethical values.
- (5) Project the reasonable probability that they would not attend college if they did not receive assistance from this scholarship fund. If on any year no one applies who substantially meets all of the above qualifications, no award will be made and the fund will accumulate.

The Dean of Students of the College shall be responsible for notifying qualified high school students as to the availability of this scholarship. The College's Scholarship Committee shall screen all applications and make the final selections.

**THE LAVERN VOWELL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** - This scholarship was established in 1993 by Elizabeth, E. L., and David Vowell to honor the memory of their husband and father, Mr. Lavern Vowell, and to assist a worthy student in attending East Central Community College. The scholarship which will be awarded each year to an entering freshman will cover the cost of tuition for two semesters. Each recipient of this scholarship must be a major in some field of business administration. Each recipient must have a demonstrated need for financial assistance and must have a demonstrated potential for academic success. Preference will be given to applicants for the scholarship who are or have been employed by Triple V, Inc. Applications for this scholarship will be received by the Dean of Students at the College. The College's scholarship committee will be responsible for the final selection of each year's recipient.

**GENERAL WILLIAM PATRICK WILSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** - This scholarship was established by the Class of 1937, family, friends, and associates of General Pat Wilson. It honors his memory as a coach, dormitory supervisor, teacher, and National Guard officer at East Central



Junior College from 1933 to 1940, and his long and colorful military career. From his Pre-World War II days when he was affectionately known as Captain Pat, to his much decorated combat service in the European Theater of Operations, and his Outstanding record as Adjutant General of Mississippi, Pat Wilson was a remarkable leader of men.

It is the expectation of those who fund it that this scholarship will aid college students to develop such leadership qualities as he displayed. It will be administered by the Scholarship Committee of East Central Community College within the restrictions set by the founding Committee which are:

- (1) All funds contributed will be placed in endowment with only the interest expended each year for scholarships.
- (2) Recipients are to be selected annually by the College Scholarship Committee students who have attained sophomore standing, a 3.0 grade point average, and who have a demonstrated need for financial assistance.
- (3) To retain the scholarship for a second semester a student will be required to maintain a minimum of a 2.5 grade point average on the 4.0 system.
- (4) The award each year will be made on Awards Day so that due recognition may be given the recipient.

## FINANCIAL AID POLICIES

**FEDERAL PROGRAMS** - In order to be eligible to receive financial aid at East central Community College, students are expected to maintain satisfactory progress toward their certificate or degree in the academic, technical, or vocational programs. Satisfactory progress for all Title IV aid (Pell Grant, Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant, State Student Incentive Grant, Federal Work-Study, Stafford Loan, or PLUS/SLS) for the various programs for full-time students is defined below. The required number of hours to be completed will be reduced proportionately for part-time students. At the end of the time frame allowed for the completion of a program, students will not be eligible to receive financial aid regardless of their grade point average or cumulative hours earned.

1. The time frame for the number of hours to be completed and the grade point average required is as follows:

At the end of this semester	1	2	3	4	5	6
A student must have completed at least this many hours	9	18	28	40	52	64
With at least a cumulative grade point average of	1.0	1.5	1.75	2.0	2.0	

2. A student who does not meet these standards will be placed on financial aid probation for a semester. During the probationary semester, a student will continue to be eligible for financial aid. Upon completion of the probationary semester, a student who does not meet the satisfactory progress standards will be ineligible to receive financial aid and will remain ineligible until the standards are achieved.
3. A student's entire record at East Central Community College will be evaluated to determine eligibility for financial aid regardless of whether or not the student has received aid for all semesters.

4. Upon enrolling at East Central Community College, a transfer student will be considered to be maintaining satisfactory progress and will therefore be allowed to receive financial aid for one semester without the transfer credits being considered. At the end of that semester, the transfer student's entire record, including not only the credits earned at East Central but also the accepted transfer credits from the previous institution, will be evaluated to determine if the student is maintaining satisfactory progress in the program being pursued by the student.
5. Developmental courses will be treated in the same manner as regular courses since students receive institutional credits and grades for these courses.
6. The procedures for determining satisfactory progress as related to incomplete grades, withdrawing from a course, or repeating a course will be the same as those procedures followed by the Admission and Records Office. Students may obtain additional information about these procedures from the Admission and Records Office or the Financial Aid Office.
7. Students who wish to appeal the decisions and financial aid awards made by the Financial Aid Office should submit a written request to the director of the Financial Aid Office. The written request should include any information relative to the case. Then the appeal will be reviewed by the Financial Aid Appeal Committee. The student will be notified in writing of the committee's decision.

**INSTITUTIONAL PROGRAMS** - The following information is related to Scholarships and Institutional Work-Study.

1. A student receiving institutional financial aid in the form of a Band Scholarship, Cheerleader Scholarship, or Institutional Work-Study must pass nine (9) semester hours and earn eighteen (18) quality points during a semester. If a student does not meet this standard at the end of the semester, the student will be placed on probation for a semester. During the probationary semester, the student will be eligible to receive the institutional financial aid. Upon completion of the probationary semester, a student who does not meet the standard will be ineligible to receive the institutional financial aid. This policy coincides with the academic probation and suspension of the College; therefore, when suspended, students become eligible to return to college, they shall also be eligible to receive institutional financial assistance.
2. To retain an ACT, Salutatorian, or Valedictorian Scholarship, a student must maintain a B (3.0) average each semester. Any student who does not maintain a B (3.0) average and is removed from scholarship, can get back on scholarship by having a B (3.0) average the following semester provided the scholarship is for four (4) semesters. See Financial Aid Programs section for further eligibility requirements.
3. Total financial aid in scholarships from East Central Community College for dormitory and commuter students MAY NOT exceed the published cost of matriculation fee, room, board, and an allowance of \$200 per semester for books. Each student must pay the registration fee each semester (scholarships cannot cover this fee).
4. Total financial aid awards for a student which includes Title IV aid and institutionally funded aid may not exceed the campus-based budget or the student's need as determined by the need analysis document.



**AWARD NOTIFICATION** - Students who complete the financial aid application requirements and who provide all required forms by May 1 will be notified regarding their financial aid awards, normally, by the end of July.

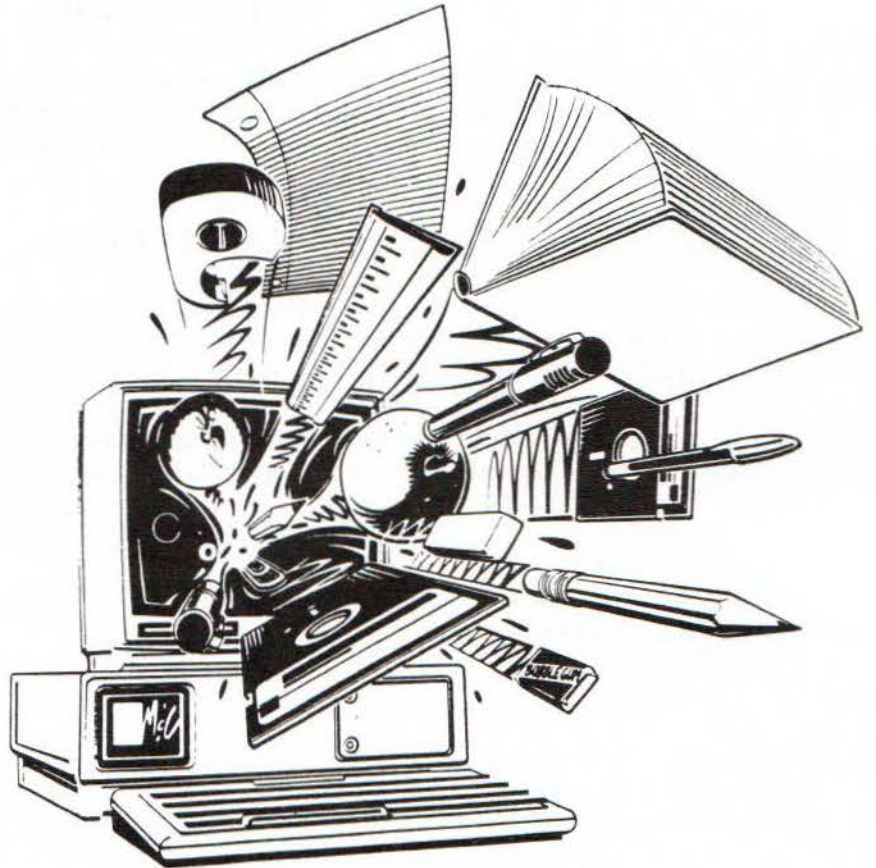
Students who apply after the May 1 priority deadline will be notified generally 4 to 8 weeks after all required forms have been turned in to the Financial Aid Office.

Until the beginning of each semester, award letters will be mailed to the address listed on the student's financial aid application.

After the beginning of each semester, the only students who will receive award letters by mail are those enrolled in evening classes only. All other students will be notified through the daily "Student Bulletin" to come to the Financial Aid Office to complete the necessary paperwork.



# CAMPUS LIFE



## ACTIVITY CENTER

The Activity Center consists of an arcade, pool tables, table tennis, weight room, and basketball court and offers various intramural programs. Students interested in participating in intramural sports need to sign up in the Activity center office. Activities provided by the Activity Center are limited to East Central Community College students only. Hours are:

Monday - Thursday  
Friday

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m.  
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

## BOOKSTORE

A college-operated bookstore is located adjacent to the Student Center. Textbooks, school supplies, clothing and miscellaneous items may be purchased here. Books which the College anticipates using again can be sold to the Bookstore. The Bookstore is open from 7:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

## CAFETERIA

Students living in the dormitories must purchase a meal ticket from the Business Office. This meal ticket will be good for 14 meals, Monday - Friday. Commuting students may eat in the cafeteria for \$3.50 per meal. **STUDENTS EATING IN THE CAFETERIA ON THE WEEKEND WILL PAY FOR THEIR MEALS ON A CASH BASIS ONLY.** Students on athletic or band scholarship will be provided meals on the weekends during the season of his/her activity.

The cafeteria is located next to Jackson Hall. Meals are served on the following schedule:

### WEEKDAYS

Breakfast  
Lunch  
Dinner

7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.  
10:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.  
4:45 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

### SATURDAY

Breakfast  
Lunch

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.  
3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

### SUNDAY

Breakfast  
Lunch  
Dinner

7:30 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.  
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. (\$4.50 per person)  
5:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

## CAMPUS ADVERTISING

Approval of signs, posters, and advertisements which are to be placed on the campus or on any of the College bulletin boards must be secured in advance from the Dean of Students.

## **CAREER INFORMATION**

Career information is available in the Academic Counselor's office, Vocational-Technical Counselors' offices, and the Skill/Tech One-Stop Career Center. Testing is also available to assist you in clarifying career interests and aptitude.

## **STUDENT BULLETIN**

A bulletin is posted campus-wide each school day. Its purpose is to keep everyone informed of daily activities. ALL STUDENTS ARE URGED TO READ IT DAILY.

## **LIBRARY**

Burton Library is maintained as a place for quiet study and research. The library collection consists of both book and non-book materials. Your ECCC ID card serves as your library card and must be presented when using any library material. Hours of operation are:

### **REGULAR SESSION**

Monday-Thursday  
Friday  
Sunday

7:30 a.m. - 9:30 p.m.  
7:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

### **SUMMER SESSION**

Monday - Friday

7:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Complete information concerning the library is contained in the Library Handbook which is available to all students.

## **LOST AND FOUND**

Anyone who has lost items should contact the Dean of Students' office. Any articles found should be brought to the Dean of Students' office.

## **STUDENT CENTER**

The Student center houses a grill and student post office boxes. The GED tutorial lab and the student health clinic are located on the second floor. Hours for the grill and post office box section of the Student Center are as follows:

Monday - Thursday  
Friday

7:30 a.m. - 9:30 p.m.  
7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.



## **STUDENT MAIL**

To receive mail on campus, you must rent a mailbox from the United States Postal Service, Decatur Branch. Representatives will be on campus during orientation and registration dates. The ECCC student post office is located in the Student Center. Mail remaining in the post office longer than a week will be brought to the Dean of Students' office. All addresses should conform to the following format:

John Doe  
East Central Community College  
College Box # \_\_\_\_  
Decatur, Mississippi 39327

## **TELEPHONE CALLS**

All telephone calls to dorm students should be made to the dormitories, the Student Center, or the dormitory supervisor's office. Calls that are not of an emergency nature should not be made to the dormitories after midnight. **EMERGENCY CALLS TO THE STUDENTS AFTER HOURS SHOULD BE MADE TO THE WOMEN'S DORMITORY SUPERVISOR FOR NEWSOME HALL (635-2126) OR FOR JACKSON HALL (635-3237) OR THE MEN'S DORMITORY SUPERVISOR (635-2543).**

## **TENNIS COURTS**

The tennis courts are available for student use. The lights are automatically controlled and are scheduled to come on during the evening hours in the early fall and late spring.

## **COUNSELING AND GUIDANCE**

East Central Community College is totally committed to providing the services of professionally-trained guidance personnel to all of its students. The purpose of the guidance program is to provide professional assistance to students in deciding academic, vocational, and personal questions, especially as they involve college life. A full-time academic counselor and two full-time vocational-technical counselors are employed in the guidance department.

## **ADVISEMENT - INTERVENTION PROGRAM**

Faculty members also serve as academic advisors in their particular fields. Academic advisors are selected from the teaching faculty according to curricula and are well qualified to assist the student in his/her academic career planning. All students are assigned an advisor according to their field of study. Frequent meetings are held and the students are urged to keep constantly in touch with their advisors on matters pertaining to their educational or vocational careers.

Students pick up mid-term grades from their assigned advisors. By careful planning, students can find and pursue the course of study that will be most helpful in their chosen profession. Each student is thus aided in choosing a vocation and pursuing the curriculum which is best suited for him/her.

## **CLASSIFICATION OF STUDENTS**

### **Freshman -**

One who has completed less than 28 semester hours of college work.

### **Sophomore -**

One who has completed 28 or more semester hours of college work.

### **Part-time -**

One who is enrolled for less than 12 semester hours of college work.

### **Full-time -**

One who is enrolled for 12 or more semester hours of college work.

## **GRADES**

Grades are submitted by the instructor and recorded for each student at nine-week intervals. Students may pick up grade reports from assigned advisors. An official copy of the student's grades will be mailed to the student at the end of each semester.

A 92-100 Excellent - 4 quality points per semester hour

B 83-91 Good - 3 quality points per semester hour

C 74-82 Average - 2 quality points per semester hour

D 65-73 Poor - 1 quality point per semester hour

W Withdrawal

R Registered for Audit

I Incomplete, but can be made up

## **HONORS PROGRAM**

The purpose of the Honors Program at East Central Community College is to provide enriched educational experiences for academically talented students. Specially designed honors classes are offered to stimulate the honor student's spirit of inquiry and to provide opportunities for in-depth study in several subject areas.

An Honors Council chaired by the Director of the Honors Program has been established. It is the responsibility of the council to coordinate the honors courses and to promote an atmosphere of intellectual stimulation and camaraderie among academically talented students.

The Honors Program provides students the opportunity for independent projects and research, for greater intellectual challenge, and for association with others of similar abilities and interests.



## **HONORS PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY**

In order to enroll in the Honors Program, a student should have a superior ACT score, a superior grade point average, and an invitation from the honors faculty. Courses are scheduled so that a student may participate in all seven honors courses or in any combination of these courses.

Courses offered include: Honors Composition I, Honors Composition II, Honors American Government, Honors American History I, Honors American History II, Honors English Literature I, and Honors English Literature II.

## **CLASS ATTENDANCE AND ABSENCES**

When a student enrolls in a course, the student assumes the responsibility for attending all class meetings, completing all assignments, and otherwise satisfying the requirements of that course. Realizing that from time to time there may be just cause for absence, the College has established the policy outlined below.

The student should discuss with the instructor the impending absence before it occurs, if possible, and in emergencies, immediately upon returning to class. The student is still responsible for all work missed, regardless of the reason for being absent.

1. Official absences are those incurred when students miss class while officially representing the College. The college sponsor of the group supplies a list to the Director of Admissions, Records, and Research's office in advance, and from that office instructors are notified before the next meeting of the class following the absence. Official absences will not count in the total number of absences allowed the student.
2. Unofficial absences occur when students who are not representing the college miss class. Total unofficial absences may not exceed twice the number of times a class meets week. Three tardies equal one unexcused absence. If a student exceeds this number, he/she will be cut out of class and will receive an "F" for the course.
3. The student who misses announced tests or class assignments due to unofficial absences must have approval of the instructor to take make-up tests or to complete assignments. Approval will not be granted unless the student presents a valid reason for having been absent.
4. The student has the right to appeal if he or she feels that there were extenuating circumstances for exceeding the allowable number of absences or for being cut out of class and receiving an "F" for the course. Within THREE (3) days of the notice of being cut out of the class(es), the student should submit in writing the reason for the appeal to the Dean of Students' office. The student will meet with the Absentee Appeals Committee comprised of the Dean of Students, the student's instructor, the academic or vocational counselor (depending on classification of student), and an administrator-at-large. A majority vote will be necessary for the student to be reinstated in class. Should the matter not be resolved to the student's satisfaction through the Absentee Appeals Committee, the student has the right to appeal to the President of the College within 24 hours. Such appeals must be made in writing with all reasons for the appeal given. Any student requesting it may appeal the decision of the President to the Board of Trustees. Such appeals must be made within 24 hours after the President's decision is rendered and must be in writing with all reasons for



the appeal given. Appeals to the Board shall be made through the President. The last step in the appeals process will be the hearing before the Board. All appeals to the Board shall be heard in regularly scheduled meetings of the Board.

## **ACADEMIC PROBATION AND SUSPENSION**

A student who fails to pass nine semester hours and fails to earn 18 quality points during a regular semester will be placed on probation until the academic record meets this minimum standard. If the minimum requirements are not met for two consecutive semesters, the student will be suspended for one regular semester. If the suspension occurs at the conclusion of the spring semester, it may be removed by attending summer school and improving the record to the state minimum. Deviation from this policy will be made only with the approval of the Academic Probation Committee. The above policy will also apply to all transfer students.

## **COURSE CHANGE**

A student desiring a course change will initiate the change with the academic or vocational counselor. The advisor's approval must then be secured. The change will be submitted to the Director of Admissions, Records and Research as the final step. A fee of \$5 is assessed for each change in schedule after the date a student's schedule is completed and accepted.

## **WITHDRAWAL PROCEDURES**

Withdrawal may occur in three areas, i.e., from college, from the residence hall or from a class. The following procedures should be followed when withdrawing in these areas.

Withdrawal from College (Voluntary) - A student who finds it necessary to withdraw from college during the semester should do so properly so that records are complete and accurate. The withdrawal procedure is as follows:

1. To officially withdraw from school, the student will begin the withdrawal procedure with the academic or vocational/technical counselor, depending on the classification of the student.
2. The counselor will contact the following personnel by telephone: Financial Aid Office, Housing Office, and Library. The student must personally go by the Admissions Office and the Business Office.
3. The student, the counselor, the Director of Admissions, Records and Research, and the Business Manager will sign the withdrawal form to indicate that the records are in order.

A student who officially withdraws will receive final grades of "W" in all classes, while unofficial withdrawals will result in grades of "F". The withdrawal process must be completed one week prior to the beginning of final examinations.

Withdrawal from College (Administrative) - An administrative withdrawal may be processed for any student who is unable to follow the normal withdrawal procedure due to hospitalization, illness, disciplinary action, etc., provided an administrator or instructor initiates the procedure.

Withdrawal from the Residence Hall (During the semester) - A student who wishes to move from the dormitory must obtain a withdrawal form from the dormitory supervisor. Room and board charges will continue until the student has completed the withdrawal procedure. A student should complete withdrawal from the dormitory on Friday before room and board payments are due on Monday.

Withdrawal from the Residence Hall (End-of-Semester) - Students who do not plan to return to the dormitory at the end of a semester are required to complete an end-of-semester withdrawal form in order to be refunded the room deposit.

Withdrawal from a Class - If a student desires to drop a course, the student may do so up to five class days prior to final examination. The process begins with the student's advisor and ends in the Admissions Office. A student who officially withdraws will receive a final grade of "W," unofficial withdrawal will result in a grade of "F."

## **TRANSCRIPTS**

It is the policy of this institution to furnish to each graduate of East Central Community College upon written request one free transcript of his/her credits earned here. If a request for a transcript occurs during the period a student is attending College, a charge of \$1 is made. All other transcripts are \$2 each.

## **APPEAL PROCEDURE FOR GRADES**

The student's appeal must be submitted in writing to the Dean of Instruction stating the reason for the appeal. Within ten (10) days after receipt of the complaint, the Dean of Instruction will advise the student of the following steps to take:

1. The complaint will be submitted to the faculty member concerned and a time scheduled for the student to meet with that faculty member.
2. If the student-faculty hearing is unsatisfactory, the complainant may appeal to the Probation Committee.
3. If the student-Probation Committee hearing is unsatisfactory, the complainant may appeal to the President of the College.
4. If the student-President hearing is unsatisfactory, the President's ruling may be appealed to the Board of Trustees of the College at any regular meeting provided ten (10) days notice has been given to the President so that the hearing can be scheduled on the Board's agenda.



## **STUDENT HOUSING**

### **Resident Requirements for East Central Community College Students**

1. full-time single students who are receiving activity scholarships (athletic, cheerleader, band, Collegians, Centralettes, flag corps) will be required to live on campus in the college's residence halls. Exceptions are made for those students who live with parents or legal guardians and commute and for those who have a substantiated medical reason for not living on campus.
2. Single students less than 21 years of age who do not receive an activity scholarship and who do not commute from their parent's or legal guardian's home must have on file in the Dean of Students' office a release statement signed by the parents/guardians granting permission to live off campus. This release statement may be obtained from the Dean of Students' office.

NOTE: The justification or reason for this policy is for the protection and security of students, parents, and school officials involved in emergency situations that might occur with the aforementioned parties.

## **PAYMENT FOR GRADUATION FEES**

All students expecting to become candidates for degrees or certificates must file an application to graduate with the Dean of Instruction by the announced deadline date. The graduation fee will be charged to the student's account when the records are reviewed, and the student is accepted as a candidate for graduation. No refund of the graduation fee will be made after the student has been accepted as a candidate for graduation and the student's account has been charged.

## **RETURN CHECK POLICY**

A \$7.50 service charge will be assessed on all checks returned to East Central Community College by a bank. After two (2) checks have been returned on an account, future payments must be made by cash or certified check.

## **PRE-EXAMINATION DAYS**

1. Pre-examination days will be observed the last three (3) days prior to final examinations each semester.
2. During the three pre-examination days no official school functions will be scheduled, no student organization activities will be scheduled, no unit tests will be administered and no instructor will make additional work assignments.

## ORGANIZATIONS

Numerous extracurricular clubs are provided on the campus for the enjoyment and enrichment of the students. These clubs will meet at Activity Period on specified Tuesdays and are sponsored by instructors who are interested in and informed about the particular field. Each student is encouraged to participate in at least one of these clubs. A Special Interest Club may be organized by any group of interested students and must meet the following requirements:

1. Must have at least fifteen (15) prospective members.
2. Must have a faculty sponsor.
3. Must submit an acceptable constitution and a statement of purpose to the Dean of Students' Office.
4. Must be approved by the SBA officers and the Dean of Students.
5. Must obtain final approval from the Dean of Students, the Dean of Instruction, and the President of the College.

### AC'CENTS

The Ac'cents is a select vocal ensemble which performs for civic clubs, churches, and schools. Members are selected through auditions in April of each year. Positions not filled at that time will be filled during the first two weeks of the fall semester. Mr. Charles Hinson is the director.

### ACDT

The Association of Child Development Technology provides a means for persons interested in young children to work together to increase their knowledge of early childhood education, bring relevant issues about the needs of young children to the attention of the public, and improve the health and educational standards for group care of children. The sponsor is Mrs. Mary Ann Wright.

### ALPHA ALPHA EPSILON

The purpose of this organization is to promote the social and economic welfare of the engineer, to stimulate public service in the profession, to encourage and develop the efficiency of the engineer, to promote unity in the profession, and to make further study of the industrial arts opportunities in allied fields. Anyone majoring in pre-engineering or industrial arts is eligible for membership. Alpha Alpha Epsilon is sponsored by Dr. Shelby Harris.

### BAND

Among the many facets of the band are marching band, concert band, jazz band, orchestra, Centralettes, and the Collegians. Membership is by audition. The band is directed by Mr. Tom Carson.

### BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

The BSU seeks to reach students for the Christian life through worship, Bible study, missions, conferences, retreats, and personal witness. The activities are promoted through the Baptist Student Center located across the street from the campus and is under the direction of Mr. Scott Vaughan. Hours are as follows:



Monday - Thursday  
Friday

9:00 a.m. - 10:30 p.m.  
9:00 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Meetings are held Monday, Tuesday and Thursday nights at 6:00 p.m. as well as a noonday luncheon Wednesday 5th period (11:40 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.).

### CHEERLEADERS

There are two ECCC Cheerleading Squads, a football and a basketball squad. Selections for the Cheerleading Squads are made each spring semester by the cheerleader sponsor and the Director of Student Activities. The sponsor is Mrs. Virginia Pace.

### COLLEGIANS

The Collegians is a select pop group composed of singers and instrumentalists. The group is open to the student body by audition and has opportunities for numerous types of performances on campus and in the five-county area. Mr. Thomas Carson is the director.

### DIAMOND GIRLS

The purpose of the Diamond Girl Squad is to provide an opportunity for girls interested in baseball to become a part of the ECCC baseball program. The Diamond Girl sponsor is Mrs. Lanette Hanna.

### ECCC CONCERT CHOIR

The Concert Choir is organized for the purpose of providing all interested students with the ability to sing an opportunity to sing four-part choral music of various styles and periods. This group performs a Christmas and a Spring Concert each year on and off campus and attends the Mississippi Junior/Community College Choral Festival. Mr. Charles Hinson is the director.

### ECCC GOSPEL CHOIR

The purpose of this organization is to give students who are interested in gospel music a chance to participate in a choir on campus and in the five-county area. The organization is sponsored by Mrs. Curressia Brown.

### ECCC PLAYERS

The purpose of the ECCC Players is to provide an opportunity for those interested in dramatics to participate in various types of plays and programs. The ECCC Players' sponsor is Miss. Judy Carroll.

### FASHION SQUAD

The purpose of the Fashion Squad is to give students who are interested in modeling a chance to participate in fashion shows on campus and in the five-county area. Members of the squad are selected from those students who have had Introduction to Modeling (HEC 1131). The Fashion Squad is sponsored by Mrs. Alice Pouncey.

## FRESHMAN CLASS

Members of the Freshman Class are classified as full-time students who have completed less than 28 semester hours of college work. The sponsor of the Freshman Class is the Dean of Students.

## HOSA

Health Occupation Students of America (HOSA) is an organization designed to help health occupation students acquire the knowledge, skills, and behavior essential in preparing for a health career. Membership is open to all students enrolled in health occupation courses. The instructors in the Surgical Technology and Practical Nursing program are sponsors of HOSA.

## INTRAMURAL COUNCIL

The purpose of this organization is to assist the Intramural Sports Director. The sponsor for the Intramural Council is Mr. Mike Anderson.

## LIFE

The purpose of Leaders Investing in the Future of the Environment is to promote environmental awareness. Students are encouraged to actively participate in environmental activities. The sponsor is Mrs. Gail Wood.

## MEN'S RESIDENCE HALL COUNCIL

The purpose of this organization is to assist the dormitory supervisor in directing the men's dormitories. This organization is sponsored by the men's dormitory supervisor.

## MU ALPHA THETA

This organization seeks to develop a keener interest in mathematics, develop sound scholarship in the subject and promote enjoyment of mathematics among junior college students. It is sponsored by Mrs. Lois McMullan.

## NATIVE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

Comprised of Native American students, this organization seeks to provide a support group and means for expressing concerns. Mrs. Gloria Johnson is the sponsor.

## NEWMAN CLUB

This organization is for interested Catholic students. The sponsor is Mrs. Monelle Clifton.

## NEW DIRECTIONS

Students over the age of 24 are steadily increasing in number. Many times students returning to school after having been out of high school for several years want to talk to others in an informal setting. This organization seeks to provide that forum. Mr. Bill Lovett is the sponsor.



### PHI BETA LAMBDA

This club is organized for business students. Its purpose is to foster a better relationship between one another and to cultivate a better understanding of business principles in general. It is sponsored by Mrs. Michele Ergle.

### PHI THETA KAPPA

The purpose of Phi Theta Kappa is to promote scholarship, to develop character, and to cultivate fellowship among academically superior students. Membership in Phi Theta Kappa is by invitation only; freshmen must have a GPA of 3.5 and sophomores must have a GPA of 3.5. This organization is sponsored by Mrs. Ann Burkes and Dr. Shelby Harris.

### PRESIDENTS COUNCIL

The President's Council was organized during the 1985 school year by Dr. Eddie M. Smith. The purpose of this organization is to establish better communications between the student organizations on campus and the President's office. Sponsors are Dr. Eddie M. Smith and Mr. Troy D. Brown, Sr.

### 'ROUND MIDNITE

'Round Midnite is a blues band composed of vocalist, bass, guitar, and drums. The group is open to the student body and performs at home basketball games and other functions. Mr. Tom Carson is the director.

### SADD

The aim of this organization, Students Against Driving Drunk, is to provide progress for young people with a commitment, to resolve the problem of drinking and driving. Mr. Richard Taylor is the sponsor of this organization.

### SCHOLARS BOWL

The purpose of the Scholars Bowl is to give students an opportunity to participate in the South Mississippi and the Ole Miss Scholars Bowl competition. Team members will be questioned in basic areas of science, mathematics, humanities, fine arts, and social sciences. Tryouts for the team are held in the fall. The advisor for the Scholars Bowl team is Mrs. Linda Baucum.

### SIGMA SIGMA MU TAU

The purpose of Sigma Sigma Mu Tau is to present programs on medical opportunities, to conduct tours of surrounding hospitals and to obtain information from schools that would be of interest to pre-med students. It is sponsored by Mr. Ron Davis.

### SOPHOMORE CLASS

Members of the Sophomore Class are classified as full-time students who have completed 28 or more hours of college work. The sponsor of the Sophomore Class is the Dean of Students.

## **STUDENT EDUCATION ASSOCIATION**

The purpose of the Student Education Association is to give the student practical experience in teacher-teacher and teacher-student relations. This organization is sponsored by Miss Lucille Wood.

## **STUDENTS IN FREE ENTERPRISE**

Students interested in business careers can join this organization. A variety of projects related to the business world are undertaken. The sponsor is Mrs. Wanda Moore.

## **VICA**

The purpose of VICA is to foster a wholesome understanding of the functions of labor/management organizations and a recognition of their mutual interdependence, and to create among students, faculty members, patrons of the school and persons in industry a sincere interest in and esteem for trade, industrial, technical and health occupations education. The sponsor is Mr. Lester Miles.

## **WARRIOR CORPS**

The Warrior Corps is a special group of students chosen by a special Selection Committee to represent East Central Community College. These students must have a good scholastic standing and must reflect the character and integrity of East Central Community College. The Warrior Corps is sponsored by the Academic Counselor.

## **WESLEY FOUNDATION**

The Wesley Foundation, sponsored by the United Methodist Church, is a fellowship of college students, regardless of denominational relationships, desiring to enrich and deepen their Christian experiences, fellowship, worship, Bible study, prayer and personal work, thereby assisting everyone to become more Christ-like in all human relationships. Meetings are held weekly. All students are welcome to visit at any time.

## **WOMEN'S RESIDENCE HALL COUNCIL**

The purpose of this organization is to assist the dormitory supervisors in directing the women's dormitories. This organization meets weekly and is sponsored by the dormitory supervisors.

## **STUDENT BODY ASSOCIATION**

The officers of the Student Body Association serve as liaison for all students to the faculty and administration. The Executive Committee is composed of the four SBA officers, two sophomore representatives, two freshmen representatives, and VICA representatives. Members of the Executive Committee serve as student representatives on faculty committees.

All students are encouraged to discuss matters with members of the Executive Council, faculty members or the administration. All suggestions, recommendations, and problems of students' interest should be presented to the Executive Council. All matters involving change in institutional policies must be presented to the Dean of Students who in turn will present them to the Administrative Council.



## STUDENT ELECTIONS

In order to be eligible for positions of distinction or officer of the Student Body Association, a student must be enrolled on a full-time basis and must be free of any action pending or taken by the Discipline Committee.

### HOMEcoming ELECTION

Homecoming Queen - Nominees must have passed 28 semester hours with a 2.00 grade average.

Maid of Honor - First alternate to Homecoming Queen automatically becomes Maid of Honor.

Sophomore Maids - Nominees must have passed 28 semester hours with a 2.00 grade point average. Three sophomore maids will be elected.

Freshman Maids - Nominees must be enrolled full-time. Three freshman maids will be elected.

### WHO'S WHO ELECTION

Mr. and Miss ECCC - Nominees must have passed 40 semester hours and have a 2.00 grade average.

Sophomore Class Favorites - Nominees must have passed 40 semester hours and have a 2.00 grade point average. Two men and two women will be elected. the first alternate to Mr. and Miss ECCC will automatically become Sophomore Class Favorites.

Freshman Class Favorites - Nominees must have passed 12 semester hours with a 1.50 grade point average.

Most Handsome and Four Beaus - Nominees must be enrolled as full-time students and have no record of action taken or pending against them by the Discipline Committee.

### STUDENT BODY ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

To be eligible to run for president, vice-president, secretary, or treasurer, a student must have completed at least 12 semester hours, be enrolled as a full-time student, and must have maintained a 2.00 grade point average.

### ECCC BEAUTY PAGEANT

The ECCC Beauty Pageant will be held annually. A panel of judges will select the most Beautiful and four beauties. Entrants must be enrolled as full-time students and have no record of action taken or pending against them by the Discipline Committee.

### ELECTION OF CLASS OFFICERS

Freshman Candidates - Must be enrolled as full-time students and be in good standing with the college.

Sophomore Candidates - Must have a 2.0 grade point average and must have passed at least 28 semester hours.

## HONORS

### WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN JUNIOR COLLEGES

East Central Community College takes an active part in nominating students for Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges. The Scholarship Committee will consider students who meet the following qualifications: scholarship, participation and leadership in extracurricular activities, citizenship and service to the school, and promise of future usefulness. All nominees must be sophomores.

### HALL OF FAME

Membership in East Central Community College's Hall of Fame is the highest honor a student can receive at East Central Community College. Nominees must be graduating sophomores. Nominations may be made by college students, faculty members, administrators, or staff members of the college. Nominations are then screened by a committee of twenty students. Selection is made by a faculty committee which looks at scholarship, character, leadership, participation in extracurricular activities, contribution to the school, and potential in making its decision.

The Hall of Fame is sponsored by the Tom-Tom. Pictures of students elected to the Hall of Fame are hung in the entrance of Huff Auditorium.

## PUBLICATIONS

East Central Community College has two publications under the sponsorship of faculty members. Student participation is on a voluntary basis.

### TOM-TOM

The Tom-Tom is the official campus newspaper. Staff members get experience in business as well as journalism. The Tom-Tom staff meets regularly at specified times. Anyone interested in journalism should see the sponsor, Mrs. Virginia Pace.

### WO-HE-LO

The Wo-He-Lo is the pictorial record of school life on the campus each year. The WoHe-Lo meets regularly at specified times. Anyone wishing to be a part of the yearbook staff should talk with the sponsor during the registration period.

## STUDENT IDENTIFICATION CARD

The student ID card is the student's official school identification. It must be carried at all times and is to be shown for identification upon request of any school official.

Lending of this card to anyone or failing to present it when requested by a school official is a violation of policy and subjects the holder to disciplinary action.

This card must be presented when receiving an annual, voting in school elections, selling books in the bookstore, checking out library books, entering athletic events and activities, eating in the cafeteria, and carrying out all business office transactions.



This card becomes void upon termination of enrollment.

Lost cards should be reported to the Dean of Students. There will be a replacement fee.

## STUDENT HOUSING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

1. When a student enrolls in school, he/she agrees to accept the policies that govern dormitory life. Failure to observe these policies and regulations subjects the students to disciplinary action. The decision in this matter is the responsibility of those in charge of the dormitories. Any failure to respond to a disciplinary action makes the student ineligible to live in the dormitory.
2. Students dropping below 12 semester hours will be required to move from the dormitory.
3. Residents of campus apartments and the dormitories will not be allowed to keep pets of any kind.
4. Students will not be permitted to display collections composed of alcoholic containers, obscene pictures, etc., in the dormitory.
5. Any change in room assignments must have the approval of the student's dormitory supervisor.
6. Outside antennas for radio, television, etc., are not permitted. Under no circumstances are students allowed to erect antennas or walk on the roof of any building.
7. All dormitories will close on the following schedule:

Thanksgiving	Wednesday at 2:00 p.m.
Christmas	2:00 p.m. on day of the last examination
Spring Holidays	Friday at 4:00 p.m.
Easter	Thursday at 4:00 p.m.
Close of School	4:00 p.m. on day of the last examination

All dormitories will open at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday prior to the beginning of school and at 4:00 p.m. on holiday weekends.

8. Students are reminded that the intercom system, washers, and dryers are not to be used after midnight. Telephones also will not be used after midnight unless an emergency arises.
9. Students returning to the campus after 2:00 a.m. must surrender their ID card and complete a form. The procedure listed below will be followed:  
First Offense -  
The student will be called to the Dean of Students office and placed on probation with a letter of information sent to the parents.  
  
Second Offense -  
The student will be required to appear before the Discipline Committee whose decision could result in dismissal from the dormitory, dismissal from school, or some other action with a letter of information sent to the parents.

10. Appliances will be permitted in the dormitories.
11. There will be a systematic room inspection in each dorm on Thursday afternoon of each week at which time rooms must be clean, neat and attractive. Failure to pass room inspection will result in a class "C" offense. Furniture is inventories for each room and lobby and must not be moved from these areas. Students will not be permitted to move additional furniture to the dormitory without permission of the dormitory supervisor.
12. Open house will be observed in all residence halls on Homecoming and one other none-scheduled time per academic year providing at least one half of the occupants in the dorm make the request. This request must be made to the Director of Housing at least one week in advance.
13. Visitors will be allowed in the lobby of the women's dorms during the following published hours:  
6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Sunday - Thursday  
2:00 p.m. - 10:00 a.m. Friday - Saturday  
  
Only one male visitor per female resident will be allowed to visit in the lobby and she must remain with him in the lobby.
14. Quiet hours will be observed in all dorms between the following hours:  
10:00 p.m. - 8:00 a.m. Sunday - Thursday  
12:00 a.m. - 7:00 a.m. Friday - Saturday
15. Sophomores will be given preference in dorm selections. However, depending upon room availability, any student may choose dormitory, roommate, and particular room.
16. Members of the opposite sex are not allowed in the residence halls except during periods of published open house.
17. Any overnight visitors must be approved and registered by the dormitory supervisor and the Director of Housing. Violation of this regulation constitutes a class "B" offense and results in a \$50 fine from both male and female students.
18. Dormitory students are held responsible for their room, hallway, or bathroom and will be assessed for any damage done. Windows must be free of signs, room darkeners, etc.
19. Abandoned articles will be discarded after two weeks (14 consecutive days).

### **PARKING/VEHICLE REGULATIONS**

Students having a vehicle on campus must register the vehicle and obtain a parking permit from the Dean of Students' office. The student must complete a registration form and pay the required \$5 fee. **ALL PARKING PERMITS MUST BE PLACED ON THE RIGHT REAR BUMPER OF THE VEHICLE.** A penalty fee will be charged for anyone not buying a parking permit or anyone parking in a no-parking zone.



The following regulations apply to all persons operating vehicles on the college campus:

1. Motor vehicles must be operated in a reasonable and prudent manner at all times.
2. Intentionally impeding or endangering normal pedestrian or vehicle traffic is prohibited.
3. The maximum speed limit on campus is 15 mph. Speed should be reduced as weather and road conditions dictate.
4. Pedestrians have the right-of-way at all times.
5. All motor vehicles should have mufflers in proper working order. Excessive noise is prohibited.
6. Motorcycles should be operated on the campus roads only. All state laws governing the operation of motorcycles should be observed.
7. The operation of three-wheelers is prohibited anywhere on campus.
8. All parked vehicles must be properly registered and in operable condition.
9. Individuals should refrain from parking in restricted areas. **PARKING TICKETS WILL BE ISSUED!** Restricted areas include:
  - A. Areas where signs indicate "NO Parking", "Handicapped", etc.;
  - B. Any area marked in yellow paint;
  - C. Sidewalks or lawns;
  - D. Blockage of sidewalk access; and,
  - E. Front of trash dumpsters.
10. The parking lot behind Newsome Hall is off limits to all male students. Violators will be charged a \$25 fine for a class "C" offense.

**STUDENTS MAY PARK ONLY IN AREAS DESIGNATED BY THEIR PARKING PERMIT! ALL VEHICLES REGISTERED AS DORMITORY MUST PARK IN AREAS MARKED FOR DORMITORY PARKING!**

### **SPORTSMANSHIP CONDUCT**

This code is offered as a guide in promoting sportsmanship while a student and spectator at East Central Community College activities. All students are reminded that any unruly situation could result in immediate probation for East Central in the activity in which the violation occurs. A detailed set of instructions is listed in the Mississippi College Activities Handbook of Rules and Regulations.

1. Officials will be considered the final authorities in decision-making.
2. Athletes from visiting colleges and their fans should be treated with respect.
3. Pride should be taken in promoting good sportsmanship among spectators and players.

# **RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**





## STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

This is one of the most important aspects of college life. As you know, East Central is a state, district and community supported college. As such, it is only logical that the residents of the college district should hold certain expectations of the students as well as of the faculty, staff, and administration. It is with this in mind, the fact that we are not a private institution but one responsible to the taxpayers, that the following regulations of student conduct have been developed.

Recognizing that freedom of individuals is never absolute, but is subject to reasonable restrictions, the college expects students to conform to recognized standards of behavior and to give serious attention to their class work. Further, these behavioral regulations are in effect at all times on campus or whenever a student is representing East central or whenever a student is being transported in a college owned or sponsored vehicle. (Please refer to disciplinary Procedures" for your rights under these regulations.)

### STUDENT REGULATIONS

1. East Central Community College takes pride in the appearance of its campus; therefore, students are to put trash and soft drink cans in the trash cans that are conveniently located throughout the campus. The Student Center and the dormitory lobbies are for students' leisure time and enjoyment; therefore, students are to assist in keeping them clean.
2. Additional violations of the regulations which occur while one is on probation or full restrictions is cause for dismissal and will require that the violator appear before the Discipline Committee.
3. Smoking is prohibited in all buildings except the student center and individual residence hall rooms - not lobby.
4. In case of illness a student should notify the college nurse at once so that arrangements can be made for necessary medical attention. In case of serious illness a physician will be called and parents will be notified. Students will be responsible for their own medical bills. In case of illness at night, the dormitory supervisor should be contacted.
5. The College will assume no responsibility for loss of personal property due to theft, fire, or natural disaster.
6. The Student Center and the Library will close at 10:00 p.m., the Activity Center will close at 11:00 p.m., and the doors to Jackson and Newsome Halls will be locked at midnight. Loitering on campus after midnight is prohibited, and students returning to campus after 2:00 a.m. will be required to surrender their ID cards.
7. Violating any Decatur, Newton County, State of Mississippi, or federal statute on campus is a violation of campus regulations and the violator will be required to appear before the proper authorities for disciplinary action.

Violations will be grouped into three main categories. All class "A" offenses will result in immediate and permanent dismissal from living on campus for dorm students and a discipline hearing for all students. Any combination of two class "B" offenses in one school year will result in

immediate and permanent dismissal from campus living for dorm students and the proper fines for all students. Any two class "C" offenses will equal one class "B" offense.

Any offense that is not listed below will be assigned a class rating by the Dean of Students.

#### CLASS "A" OFFENSES

- Assault
- Stealing
- Possession of Drugs
- Possession of a fire arm or weapon
- Pulling a false fire alarm
- Failure to obey the direct order of a school official  
(including dorm supervisors)
- Academic Dishonesty, Cheating, or Plagiarism

#### CLASS "B" OFFENSES

- Possession of Alcohol
- Unauthorized Entry of Dorms
- Harassing Other Students
- Fighting
- Firecrackers
- Violations of the Standard Norms of Group Behavior in  
the Cafeteria

#### CLASS "C" OFFENSES

- Failing Room Inspection
- Throwing Foreign Objects at Forms or Doors
- Causing Any Damage to College Property
- Excessive Noise/Loud Noise/Undue Noise
- Profanity and/or Vulgarity
- Male Students Being in Parking Lot Behind Newsome Hall
- Entering and/or exiting dormitories via the emergency doors  
in non-emergency situations
- Unauthorized exiting of the dormitory after the dormitory has been closed

Any class "C" offense carries a \$25 fine; any class "B" offense carries a \$50 fine; and, any class "A" offense has no fine attached. However, all students committing a class "A" offense will be required to appear before the Disciplinary Committee.

Fines are to be paid in the Business Office with the receipt given to the Dean of Students Office. All unpaid fines are treated like fees by the Business Office.

Appeals must be made to the Dean of Students within three days of the conviction. The Dean of Students decision may be appealed in writing to the President of the College within 24 hours. Any student requesting it may appeal the decision of the President to the Board of Trustees. Such appeals must be made within 24 hours after the President's decision is rendered and must be in writing with all reasons for the appeal given. Appeals to the Board shall be made through the President. The last step in the appeals process will be the hearing before the Board. All appeals to the Board shall be heard in regularly scheduled meetings of the Board.



10. The Discipline Committee will deliberate sanctions in private. A vote will be taken on expulsion or a lesser sanction after the committee has deliberated. If the vote is expulsion, the action will be noted on the form. If the vote is for a lesser sanction, deliberation shall continue as to the actual sanction until there is agreement among the majority.
11. The recommendation will be submitted to the Dean of Students for implementation and to the President for his information.
12. The decision of the Discipline Committee may be appealed within three days to the President. All appeals must be in writing and based on extenuating circumstances not fully considered in the hearing or on procedural matters within the hearing process.
13. If appealed to the President, he will take the matter under advisement. A meeting with the student making the appeal and the Dean of Students will be part of the appeals procedure.
14. The decision of the President may be appealed to the Board of trustees. This appeal must be initiated within 24 hours of the decision made by the President. The appeal must be requested in writing and will be placed on the agenda of the next regular monthly board meeting.
15. If a decision of the Discipline Committee is appealed the imposition of the sanction may be held in abeyance at the discretion of the Dean of Students. Under circumstances which involve a clear threat to the health and safety of individuals, the sanctions will go into effect immediately.

NOTE: The Dean of Students has the authority to designate a Special Discipline Committee when it is not feasible to convene the regularly appointed committee.

#### Article VI - Advisors

The faculty advisor shall be appointed by the President of the College.

#### Article VII - Amendments

Amendments to this Constitution and By-Laws may be presented by the Executive Council or by fifty (50) students bringing it to the Council who will in turn present it to the Association. Any amendment must be approved by two-thirds of the student body and the College President before it can be adopted.

### **BY-LAWS**

#### Article I - Officers and Committees

##### Section I - Duties of Officers and Committees:

1. The President shall call and preside over all meetings of the Executive Council and Student Body Association and shall appoint necessary committees.
2. The Vice-President shall take charge of all duties of the President in the absence of the President.
3. The Secretary shall keep a record of all Executive Council and Student Body Association meetings, lists of all officers and committees, and shall handle all necessary correspondence.
4. The Treasurer shall have charge of all finance, and shall keep accurate records.
5. The Executive Council shall have the legislative powers of the Association and shall propose amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws.
6. The Faculty Advisory Committee shall be invited to all Executive Council meetings on social activities and hospitality, which shall supervise, conduct meetings on social functions on the campus, shall meet and greet visitors on the campus, and shall encourage a more hospitable attitude among the students.
7. There shall be a standing committee.
8. There shall be an Elections Committee whose duty shall be to announce the holding of campus-wide elections, receive all nominations, check eligibility of all proposed nominees, have ballots printed, provide for proper voting facilities, count the votes, make known the results, and enforce the election regulations.
9. There shall be a Calendar and Activity Committee which shall become a joint faculty-student committee whose duty shall be to approve a schedule of school activities and to exhibit the same in the Dean of Students' office.
10. Other committees shall be appointed by the President and approved by the Council as the need arises.



## Section II - Eligibility of Officeholder:

1. Students must have at least a "C" average to be eligible to hold office.
2. Students must have no disciplinary action on record or pending to be eligible to hold office.
3. To be eligible to run for office, no student shall have earned as much as forty (40) semester hours by the end of the spring semester.

## Article II - Election of Officers

Election of officers of the Association shall be under the supervision of the Executive Council and Election Committee. The Council and Election Committee shall prescribe the time and manner of election of officers of the Association and Council. The officers of the Association for the succeeding year shall be elected during the later part of the spring semester.

## Article III - Vacancies

Section I - If the President's office is vacated, the Vice-President shall take over his office and a new Vice-President shall be elected.

Section II - If the President's and Vice President's office are vacated, a special election shall be held to fill these vacancies.

## Article IV - Quorum

A quorum of the Student Body Association shall consist of 60% of its membership. A quorum of the Executive Council shall consist of 60% of its members. no business can take place either in the Executive Council or in the Student Body Association meeting unless a quorum is present.

## **NOTICE OF COLLEGE POLICY AND EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS**

East Central Community College is in compliance with provisions granted under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974. Under this law, students enrolled in any educational institution receiving federal funds are given certain rights concerning school records.

1. Students are entitled to have access to school records upon request.
2. Request for access to records concerning academic grades, transcripts and absences should be filed with the Director of Admissions, Records, and Research. Request for access to records and personal data should be filed with the Dean of Students.
3. Students are entitled to inspect and review the contents of their school records and to challenge the contents if they feel the contents are inaccurate, misleading, or contain inappropriate data. If a student wishes to challenge the contents, the Director of Admissions, Records, and Research or Dean of Students will provide a written copy of procedures to be followed.

4. Before any school records will be released to third parties the school must have the student's written consent.
5. Upon receipt of a subpoena or judicial order requiring the Director of Admission, Records, and Research and/or Dean of Students to relinquish control of a student's record, the student will be notified of the subpoena or judicial order before the Director of Admissions, Records, and Research and/or Dean of Students will relinquish control of the record.
6. The law allows "directory information" about students to be made public without specific permission. Students are entitled, however, to request the deletion of certain information from school directories. Any request for deletion of directory information must be made within fourteen (14) calendar days from the date of registration. Forms for requesting the deletion of information may be secured from the Office of the Director of Admissions, Records, and Research.
7. The school will maintain a list containing the signature and the date of non-school personnel having access to the student's record. The law allows school officials, including instructors, to have access to a student's record.

### **PROCEDURE FOR FILING AND APPEALING COMPLAINTS AND GRIEVANCES**

Complaints and grievances of an East Central Community College student arising from compliance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and its amendments, Title IX of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and its amendments, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and its amendments, and the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 should first be formally presented to the Dean of Students. The complaints should be written and should be delivered either in person or by mail.

Upon receipt of a complaint, the Dean of Students will schedule a hearing before a student-faculty committee within ten (10) days. This committee will be composed of the Dean of Students, President of SBA, Academic or Vocational Counselor as appropriate, an academic, technical, or vocational member of the faculty as appropriate, and a student-at-large.

The committee and the complainant may call such witnesses as may be required to investigate the complaint or grievance. Further, the complainant may have an advisor present during the hearing; however, the advisor may only consult with the complainant and not speak for the complainant.

If the results and/or procedure of the student-faculty committee are deemed unsatisfactory by the complainant, the complainant may appeal in writing within three days to the President of the College who will schedule a hearing within ten (10) days of the appeal.

The President's ruling may be appealed to the Board of Trustees of the College at any regular meeting provided ten (10) days notice has been given to the President so that the hearing can be scheduled on the Board's agenda. Such appeals must be made in writing and within 24 hours of the hearing before the President.

The above four (4) steps exhaust full recourse available in the College.



### ALMA MATER

Dear Alma Mater we sing thy praise  
In sweet remembrance of our college days;  
Comrades and teachers, friends so true;  
We give our love to you;  
Long may we cherish the days spent with thee;  
Happy days of dreams, work and play so carefree;  
Deep in our hearts rest your memories true;  
Here's all our love to you.



# **DRUG AND ALCOHOL AWARENESS**

## **INTRODUCTION**

Federal law requires that every student and employee of East Central get a copy of this brochure. The intent of the requirement is to make you aware of the risks associated with substance abuse. We have tried to include the basic information in a style which is easy to use. It is our goal that you use this information as you make personal decisions about you life.

## **EAST CENTRAL'S POLICIES**

6.1.4.42: The unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession or use of a controlled substance is prohibited at East Central Community College. One's employment at East Central is contingent on the acceptance of the terms of this policy, and employees engaging in such activities are subject to a review of their employment status...

5.5.2.31: ...the following regulations of student conduct have been developed...Possession and/or use of alcoholic beverages, narcotics or other controlled substances are prohibited and are cause for dismissal. Violators will be required to appear before the appropriate authorities for disciplinary action. (Students found guilty by the Discipline Committee are subject to expulsion from school).

## **AVAILABLE SERVICES**

Please contact one of the following people to refer someone who needs or wants help:

Mr. Troy D. Brown, Sr., Dean of Students  
Mr. Jimmy Dempsey, Vocational-Technical Counselor  
Mr. Randall Lee, Academic Counselor  
Mrs. Sheila Terrell-Lyon, Special Populations Coordinator  
Mr. Richard Taylor, Substance Abuse Counselor

**EAST CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

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# FEDERAL SANCTIONS

## Federal Trafficking Penalties

As of November 18, 1988

CSA	PENALTY		Quantity	DRUG	Quantity	PENALTY	
	2nd Offense	1st Offense				1st Offense	2nd Offense
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<sup>1</sup>Law as originally enacted states 100 gm. Congress requested to make technical correction to 1 kg.

<sup>2</sup>Does not include marijuana, hashish, or hash oil. (See separate chart.)

## Federal Trafficking Penalties - Marijuana

As of November 18, 1988

Quantity	Description	First Offense	Second Offense
1,000 kg or more; or 1,000 or more plants	<b>Marijuana</b> Mixture containing detectable quantity*	Not less than 10 years, not more than life. If death or serious injury, not less than 20 years, not more than life. Fine not more than \$4 million individual, \$10 million other than individual.	Not less than 20 years, not more than life. If death or serious injury, not less than life. Fine not more than \$8 million individual, \$20 million other than individual.
100 kg to 1,000 kg; or 100-999 plants	<b>Marijuana</b> Mixture containing detectable quantity*	Not less than 5 years, not more than 40 years. If death or serious injury, not less than 20 years, not more than life. Fine not more than \$2 million individual, \$5 million other than individual.	Not less than 10 years, not more than life. If death or serious injury, not less than life. Fine not more than \$4 million individual, \$10 million other than individual.
50 to 100 kg	<b>Marijuana</b>	Not more than 20 years. If death or serious injury, not less than 20 years, not more than life. Fine \$1 million individual, \$5 million other than individual.	Not more than 30 years. If death or serious injury, life. Fine \$2 million individual, \$10 million other than individual.
10 to 100 kg	<b>Hashish</b>		
1 to 100 kg	<b>Hashish Oil</b>		
50-99 plants	<b>Marijuana</b>		
Less than 50 kg	<b>Marijuana</b>	Not more than 5 years. Fine not more than \$250,000, \$1 million other than individual.	Not more than 10 years. Fine \$500,000 individual, \$2 million other than individual.
Less than 10 kg	<b>Hashish</b>		
Less than 1 kg	<b>Hashish Oil</b>		



# STATE SANCTIONS

## Mississippi Drug Trafficking Penalties (Except Marijuana)

	First Offense	Subsequent Offenses
Schedules I and II	Maximum jail term of 30 years or Maximum fine of \$1,000,000 or both	Twice the penalty for a first offense See notes 1 and 2
Schedules III and IV	Maximum jail term of 20 years or Maximum fine of \$250,000 or both	Twice the penalty for a first offense See notes 1 and 2
Schedule V	Maximum jail term of 10 years or Maximum fine of \$50,000 or both	Twice the penalty for a first offense See notes 1 and 2

Note 1: Sale or transfer of certain amounts of marijuana and other controlled substances within a 12-month period carries a sentence of life imprisonment with no possibility of parole or suspension.

Note 2: Anyone over 21 years old convicted of sale or manufacturing of Schedule I-V drugs to a person under 21 years of age may be fined as set out above, and may be imprisoned for twice the stated time.

## Mississippi Possession Penalties (Except for Marijuana)

	First Offense	Subsequent Offenses
1. Schedules I and II	Maximum jail term of 3 years or Maximum fine of \$30,000 or both	Twice the penalty for a first offense
2. Schedules III, IV, and V	Maximum jail term of 1 year or Maximum fine of \$5,000, or both	Twice the penalty for a first offense

## Mississippi Marijuana Penalties

- A. Trafficking
1. First offense—one ounce or less; Maximum jail term of 3 years, or Maximum fine of \$3,000, or both
  2. First offense—less than one kilogram but more than one ounce; Maximum jail term of 20 years, or; Maximum fine of \$30,000, or both
  3. First offense—one kilogram or more; Maximum jail term of 30 years, or; Maximum fine of \$1,000,000, or both
  4. Subsequent offenses—Twice the above-stated penalties
  5. See Notes 1 and 2 above
- B. Possession
1. One ounce or less
    - First Offense—fine of \$100 to \$250
    - Second Offense within 2 years—fine of \$250 and 5 to 60 days in jail and mandatory participation in drug education program
    - Third offense within 2 years—fine of \$250 to \$500 and 5 days to 6 months in jail
  2. More than one ounce but less than one kilogram
    - a. Maximum jail term of one year or maximum fine of \$1,000, or both or
    - b. Maximum jail term of 3 years or maximum fine of \$3,000 or both
  3. One kilogram or more  
Maximum jail term of 20 years, or maximum fine of \$1,000,000, or both
  4. Possession in a motor vehicle of more than one gram but less than one ounce  
Maximum jail term of 90 days and maximum fine of \$1,000

## Mississippi Penalties for Illegal Alcohol Sales, Possession, and Driving Under the Influence

Sale or transfer of alcoholic beverages to a person under 21 years of age

First offense  
fine of \$500 to \$1,000

Subsequent offenses  
fine of \$1,000 to \$2,000, or maximum jail term of 1 year, or both

Possession or purchase of alcoholic beverages by a person under the age of 21 years  
fine of \$100

Misrepresentation of age to purchase alcoholic beverages  
fine of \$25 to \$500, or 30 days of community service, or both

Driving under the influence of alcoholic beverages or other impairing substances

- First offense—Fine of \$250 to \$1,000, or jail term of 24 hours, or both, and driver's license suspended for 90 days
- Second Offense within 5 years—Fine of \$600 to \$1,000 and jail term of 48 hours to 1 year and driver's license suspended for 2 years
- Third offense within 5 years—Fine of \$800 to \$1,000 and jail term of 30 days to 1 year and driver's license suspended for 5 years
- Fourth and subsequent offenses within 5 years—Fine of \$2,000 to \$5,000 and jail term of 90 days to 5 years and driver's license suspended for 5 years

Note: In addition to the above penalties, an individual driving a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol, and negligently causing death or injury to another, faces a maximum jail term of 10 years.



# HEALTH RISKS

Drugs are chemical substances affecting both the mind and body. The use of any drug may affect an unborn child. The prolonged use of any drug may lead to physical and/or psychological dependence. An overdose of any drug may lead to death. The following list includes the various kinds of drugs, common names of drugs, and descriptions of the possible health risks. This list is not extensive, and other risks may be involved.

DRUG/STREET NAMES	HEALTH EFFECTS	SYMPTOMS
<b>Alcohol</b> , beer, wine, wine coolers, liquor (1-12 hours effect)	Causes depression, aggression, slurred speech, muscular incoordination. Frequent use can lead to cirrhosis of liver, pancreatitis, brain disorders, vitamin deficiencies & malnutrition. Can lead to coma or death in large quantities.	Puffiness of face, redness of eyes, depression, disorientation, shallow respiration, nausea, cold and clammy skin, Dehydration. Slurred speech. Impairs muscle coordination, memory and judgement.
<b>Marijuana</b> /pot, reefer, grass, THC, hash, hash oil, herb, cannabis (2-4 hours effect)	Can impair memory perception and judgement by destroying brain cells. Raises blood pressure. Contains more known carcinogens (poisons) than cigarettes.	Euphoria, relaxed inhibitions, disoriented behavior, staring off into space, hilarity without cause. Time distortion. Bloodshot eyes, dry mouth & throat, increased appetite. Fatigue. Hallucinations, depression.
<b>Barbiturates, methaqualone</b> : quaaludes, ludes, yellow jackets, red devils, blue devils, Nembutal, Seconal, Xipon, Valium, Tranxene, Xanax, Librium (1-16 hours effect)	Can cause slurred speech, staggering gait, poor judgement, and slow, uncertain reflexes. Large doses can cause unconsciousness and death. Mixing of these depressants with alcohol causes thousands of accidental deaths in USA each year.	Slurred speech, disorientation, drunken behavior with no odor of alcohol. Sedation, fatigue. Deceased breathing, pulse and blood pressure.
<b>Cocaine</b> /coke, snow, blow, gold dust, labs, Benicoc, C. rock (15 to 2 hours effect)	Causes dilated pupils, increased blood pressure, heart rate, breathing rate, & body temperature. Can cause seizures, heart attacks and death.	Apathy, anxiety, sleeplessness, paranoia, hallucinations, craving for more cocaine. Weight loss. Constant sniffing. Mood swings.
<b>Crack Cocaine</b> /crack, rock (5-10 minute effect)	More & stronger cocaine is getting to the brain quicker, increasing risks of cocaine use.	Same as cocaine.
<b>Amphetamines</b> /uppers, speed, black beauties, dexes, bennies, crystal meth, crank, crystal, ice, hearts, crossroads, white crosses, caffeine, nicotine, diet pills (1 1/2 to 2 hours effect)	Increases heart rate, breathing rate, blood pressure. High doses can cause tremors, loss of coordination & death from stroke or heart failure. Frequent use of large amounts can produce brain damage, ulcers, malnutrition, hallucinations, convulsions and coma.	Decreased appetite, dilated pupils, sleeplessness, agitation, unusual increase in activity, mood swings, paranoia, anti-social behavior, loss of appetite, anxiety, weight loss.
<b>PCP (phencyclidine)</b> /angel dust, killer weed, crystal cyclone, elephant tranquilizer, rocket fuel (Variable effects)	Increased heart rate, and blood pressure. Large doses can cause convulsions, comas, heart & lung failure and ruptured brain vessels. Users may show long-term effects on memory, judgement, concentration, & perception.	Sweating, dizziness, numbness, hallucinations, confusion, agitation. Violence and aggression or silence & withdrawn state. Poor perception of time and distance. Overdose can lead to death.
<b>NARCOTICS</b>		
<b>Heroin</b> /Mexican brown, China White, Persian porcelain, "H", smack, horse, junk, black tar, <b>Codeine</b> , <b>Morphine</b> , <b>Mepordine</b> -demerol, <b>Opium</b> , <b>Paragoric</b> , <b>Percodan</b> , <b>Fentanyl</b> , <b>Darvon</b> , <b>Talwin</b> , <b>Tussionex</b> (12-24 hours effect)	Repeated use can lead to infections of the heart lining & valves, skin abscesses & congested lungs. May cause nausea and vomiting. Can lead to convulsions, coma, & death.	Watery eyes, runny nose, yawning, loss of appetite, tremors, irritability, panic, chills, sweating, cramps, nausea, apathy, euphoria, itching, constricted pupils, reduced vision.
<b>Gas &amp; Glue</b> /rush, Locker Room, aerosol cans, poppers, snappers, amyl nitrate, gasoline, lighter fluid, whippers. (Inhaled through a saturated cloth or in a bag covering nose and mouth.) (Variable effects)	Brain damage occurs when used over a long period of time. All these chemicals carry considerable risk, particularly of cardiac arrhythmia. Nausea, vomiting. Can also cause suffocation the first time or any time used.	Lack of coordination, slurred speech, drowsiness, loss of appetite, fatigue. Hallucinations, dizziness, scrambled words & disconnected sentences. Nausea, running nose, decreased heart rate.
<b>Hallucinogens</b> /LSD, Mescaline, Peyote, Mesc, buttons, Psilocybin, magic mushrooms, acid, blotter acid, WGA-love drug (5-12 hours effect)	Dilated pupils, nausea, increased blood pressure, hallucinations, stomach cramps, blackouts. Flashbacks, a recurrence of the drug effects, may be a problem for some. Overdose can lead to death.	Beady eyes, nervous, erratic behavior, laughing, crying, panic, personality changes, "sees" smells, "hears" colors. Marked depersonalization. Psychological changes can be permanent. Poor perception of time and distance. Overdose can lead to death.
<b>MDMA</b> /Ecstasy, Etc., R-TC, (A Designer Drug, structural analog of controlled substances.) (Variable up to days)	Increased heart rate & blood pressure. Blurred vision, chills, sweating. Believed to cause permanent brain damage.	Confusion, depression, sleep problems, anxiety, paranoia, muscle tension, involuntary teeth clenching, nausea.
<b>Steroids</b> (Variable effects)	Can develop liver cancer, cardiovascular problems, sterility, sexual dysfunction and stunted growth.	Similar to effects of anti-depressants and stimulants. Can increase moodiness and aggressive behavior.

Source: National Institute on Drug Abuse

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